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みんな,見てくれ俺のNEWマシン。パンダ・バンブー250だ!! 従来の常識を打ちやぶる斬新なデザイン!! こいつで峠をせめている俺に追いつけるやつは,いないぜっ!! 俺とこいつは一心同体だからなっ。挑戦者求む。(P.S 俺はこの他にもエレファントバオーン600とダンスラビット125を日々駆っている。)

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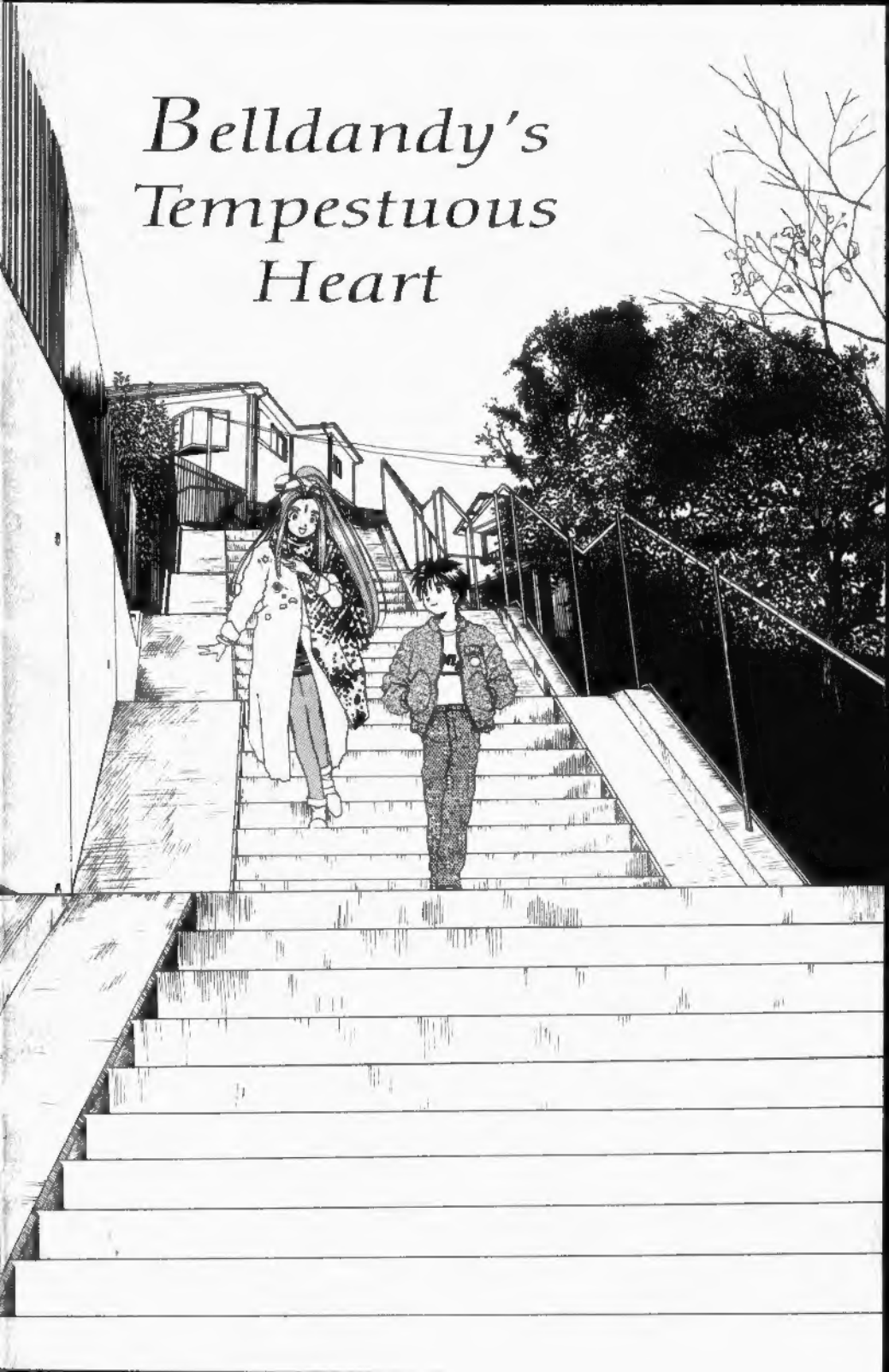
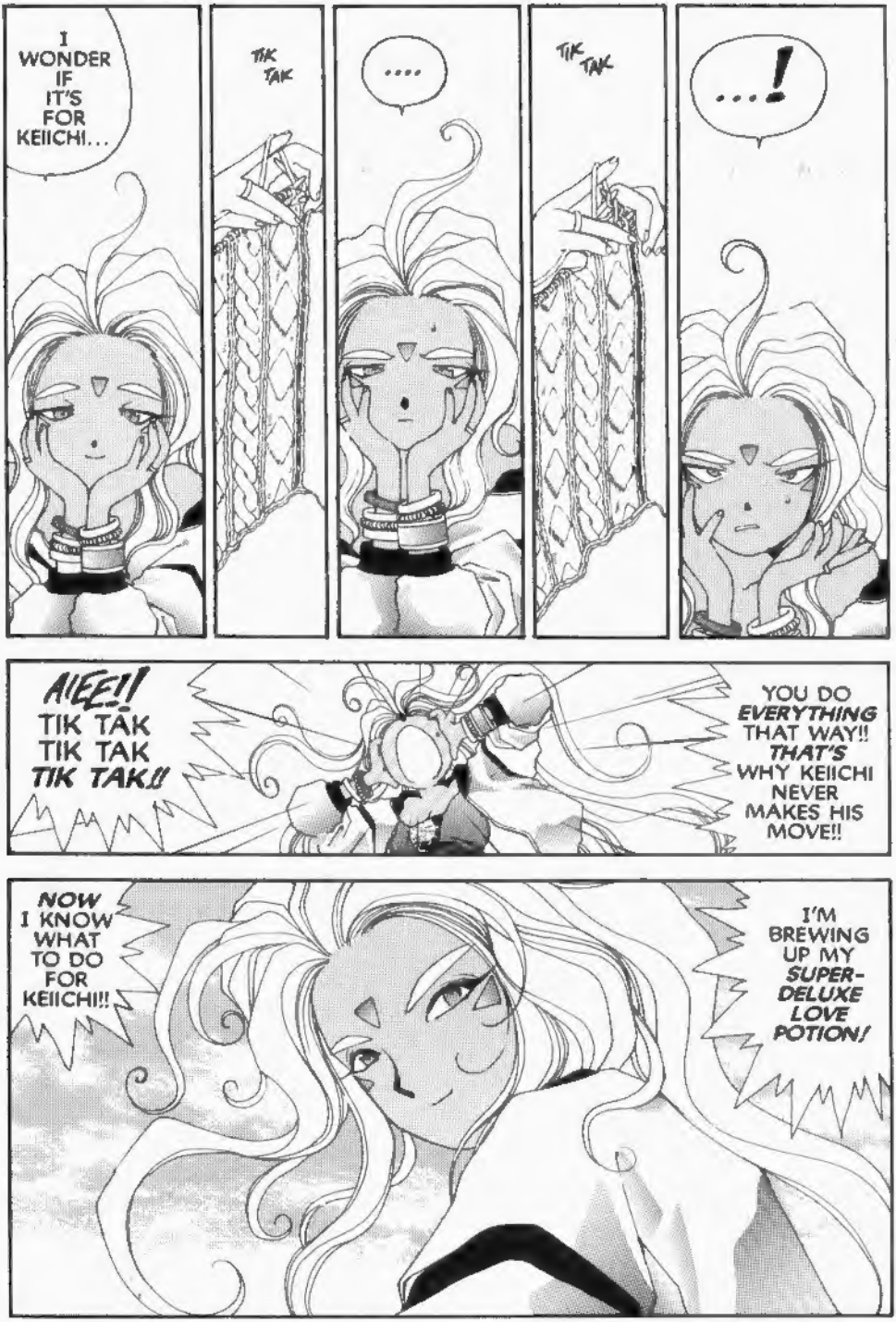
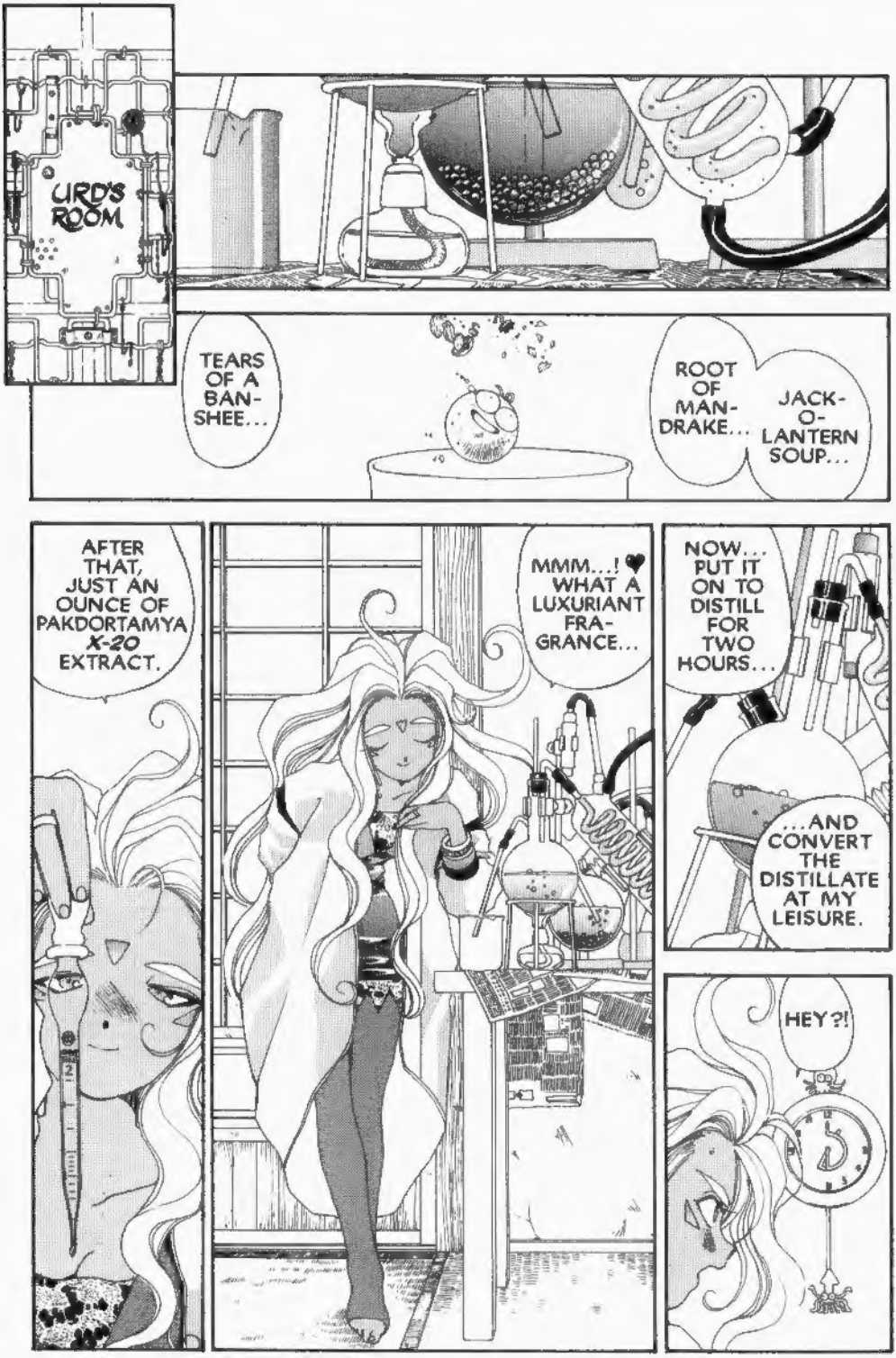
Belldandy's Tempestuous Heart



OKAY, HERE YOU GO.
I MADE THEM INTO BRACELETS SO THEY'LL BE EASIER TO KEEP ON YOU.
DON'T FORGET TO CHANGE THEM EVERY MONTH.
DAY 0
DAY 30
THAT'S HOW LONG THE POWER SEEMS TO LAST.
GEEZ... THAT'S SUCH A PAIN.
CAN'T YOU MAKE 'EM LAST FIVE YEARS?
THEY'RE NOT LITHIUM BAT-TERIES, YOU KNOW!
OH, WELL... GUESS I JUST HAVE TO PUT UP WITH IT.

I KNOW... SHE SHOULDN'T TALK LIKE THAT. BUT IT'S HER WAY OF SAYING "THANK YOU."
HUH? NO KIDDING?
YEESH... I KEEP GETTING DEEPER AND DEEPER INTO KEIICHI'S DEBT.
RIGHT...
...URD?
I'VE GOTTA DO SOME-THING TO PAY HIM BACK.
KNITTING, HUH.
HMM...


I WONDER IF IT'S FOR KEIICHI...
TIK TAK
....
TIK TAK
...!
AIEE!! TIK TAK TIK TAK TIK TAK!!
YOU DO EVERYTHING THAT WAY!! THAT'S WHY KEIICHI NEVER MAKES HIS MOVE!!
NOW I KNOW WHAT TO DO FOR KEIICHI!!
I'M BREWING UP MY SUPER-DELUXE LOVE POTION!


URD'S ROOM
TEARS OF A BAN-SHEE...
ROOT OF MAN-DRAKE...
JACK-O-LANTERN SOUP...
AFTER THAT, JUST AN OUNCE OF PAKDORTAMYA X-20 EXTRACT.
MMM...! ♥ WHAT A LUXURIANT FRA-GRANCE...
NOW... PUT IT ON TO DISTILL FOR TWO HOURS...
...AND CONVERT THE DISTILLATE AT MY LEISURE.
HEY?!

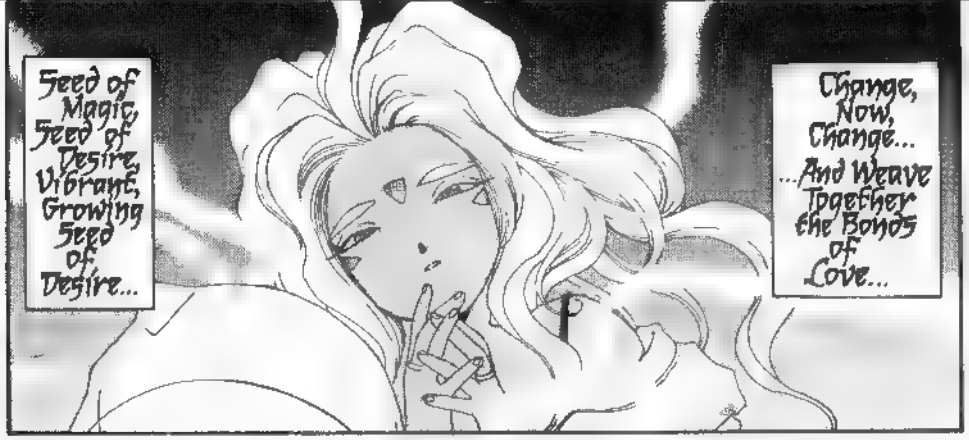
OH NO! I ALMOST FORGOT!
TODAY'S THE FINAL EPISODE OF "THE STORMS OF WINTER!!"
BLBB BLUP
URD!
WHERE'S THE PAPER?!
AAH, ICHIKO, MY DARLING!
DON'T BUG ME NOW, YOU DUMB BRAT!!
SHEESH... WHAT'D SHE DO WITH THE NEWSPAPER THIS TIME?
YUCK!
OH, GROSS... WHAT IS THAT SMELL?
AND HERE'S THE STUPID PAPER, OF COURSE.

ONE... TWO...
THREE!
SKULD MAGIC SUPREME!
WHAP
MAGNIFICENT!
...IF I MAY SAY SO MY-SELF.
BLRSH
?!
GACK!
N-N-
NOW WHAT DO I DO?

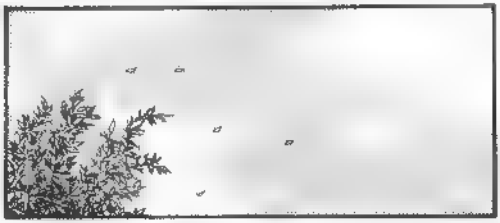
THE LAST TIME I SPILLED ONE OF URD'S POTIONS
OH MY .. YOU BROKE THE FLASK, DID YOU?
OH WELL... THERE'S NO POINT CRYING OVER SPILLED MILK *BUT...*
AND THEN SHE *PUNISHED ME* . THAT ***TERRIBLE*** PUNISH-MENT ...
NO, NO, NOOOO! I CAN'T TAKE IT AGAIN! NOT *THAT!*
OKAY, SKULD .. DON'T PANIC YET.
URD'S STILL WATCHING THAT STUPID SOAP OPERA.
IF I CAN GET IT BACK IN HALF AN HOUR...
WHEWW .. WHIPPING UP THIS BABY IN UNDER TEN MINUTES!
I ***MUST*** BE A GENIUS!

THE SKULD VACUUM UNIT *KYUPON INHALER-Z!*
NO TIME FOR GLORY-- SWITCH ON!
GO FOR IT, *KYUPON INHALER-Z!* SUCK UP EVERY LAST DROP!
WHOOSH
BUT...
SPLSH
GEE, IT SEEMS A LITTLE LOW...
TRANSLATION:
"IT SEEMS VERY, *VERY* LOW."

...
GULP
WOW... THEY FINALLY GOT IT ON!
AH, HA! IT'S READY.
NAANDERU TA-AARU KUROMAN-YOHN...
AUSU TORARO PITEKUSU JAWA PEKIN!
FASSHH!


Seed of Magic, Seed of Desire, Vibrant, Growing Seed of Desire...
Change, Now, Change...
...And Weave Together the Bonds of Love...

... Crystals of the Purest Love!
BOMF!



GEEZ, WAS IT ALWAYS SO SMOKY?

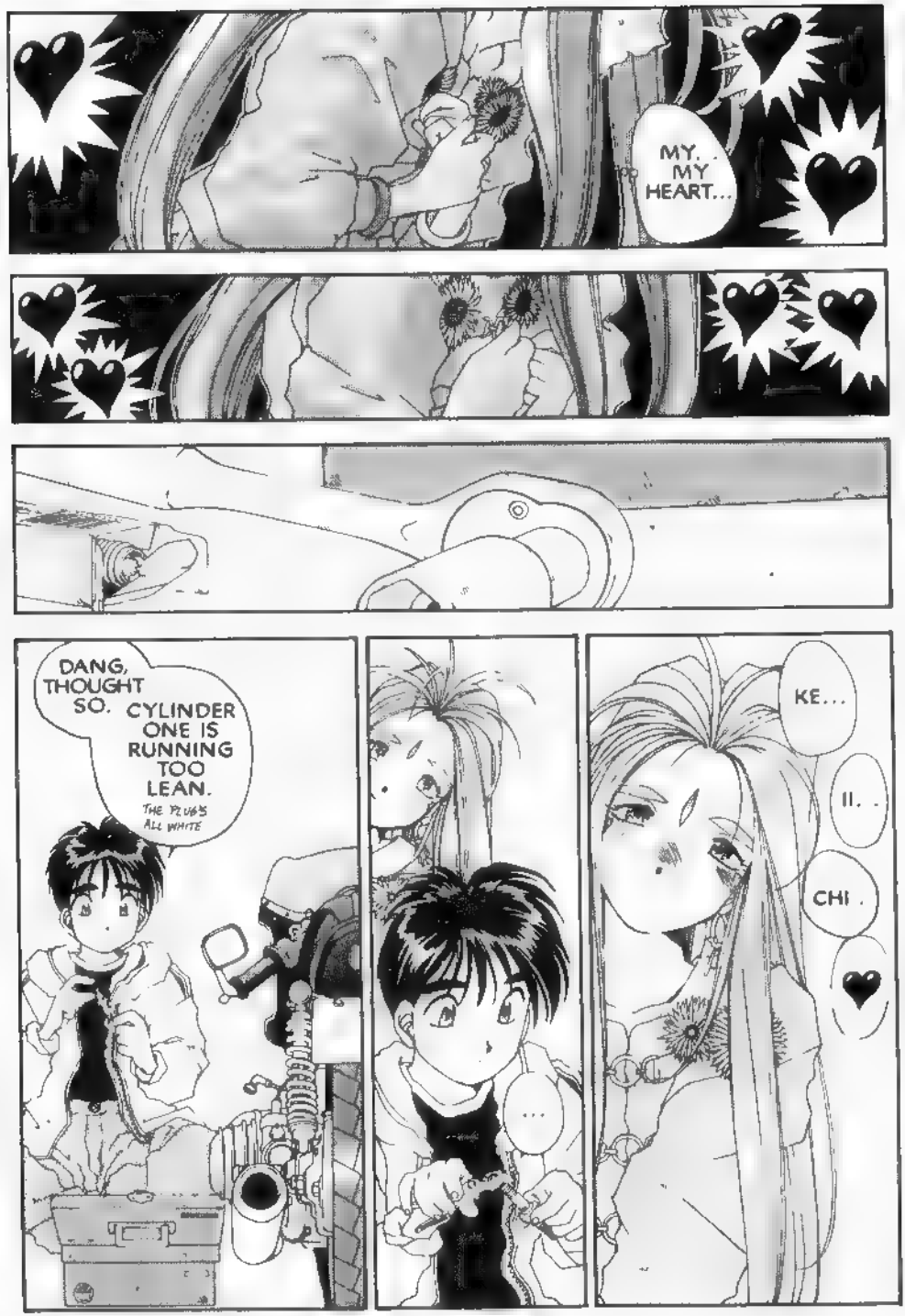
ANY-WAY... HEH HEH... IT'S READY!

AAH... ALMOST THERE!

HEY, BELL-DANDY!
MM?
IT'S SOME KIND OF CANDY..?
YEP.
WANNA TRY SOME-THING TASTY?
CHECK IT OUT!
OOH! THEY'RE SO CUTE!
HM? BELL-DANDY ....
.. AND URD--
HEY.. WHAT'S THAT STUFF?
NO! NO WAY! NOT THAT POTION SHE WAS MAKING ...?!
....!!

AAGH! EVEN IF IT *IS*, I CAN'T SAY *ANY-THING!*
IF I DO... URD'S PUNISH-MENT, THAT *UNSPEAK-ABLE* PUNISH-MENT . !
FORGIVE ME, BELL-DANDY! I COULD ENDURE *ANYTHING* ELSE, BUT NOT... *THAT!*
THEY LOOK DELICIOUS!
COME ON. .
...
NO! *NO!*
MM...
...!

YUMMY!
SOME-THING WRONG?
ME? NO, NO!
HAH! IT'S BECAUSE OF THAT WEIRD GUNK I ADDED TO IT, I BET.
YES, THAT *MUST* BE IT! I *PRO-TECTED* MY DEAR SISTER!
I *AM* A GENIUS!
THAT IS JUST *TOO* WEIRD
THANKS AGAIN, URD!
AT THE TIME, URD DIDN'T NOTICE. .
. THAT IN FACT, A MAJOR CHANGE HAD *INDEED* COME OVER BELL-DANDY


MY, MY HEART...
DANG, THOUGHT SO. CYLINDER ONE IS RUNNING TOO LEAN.
THE PLUG'S ALL WHITE
...
KE...
II..
CHI.

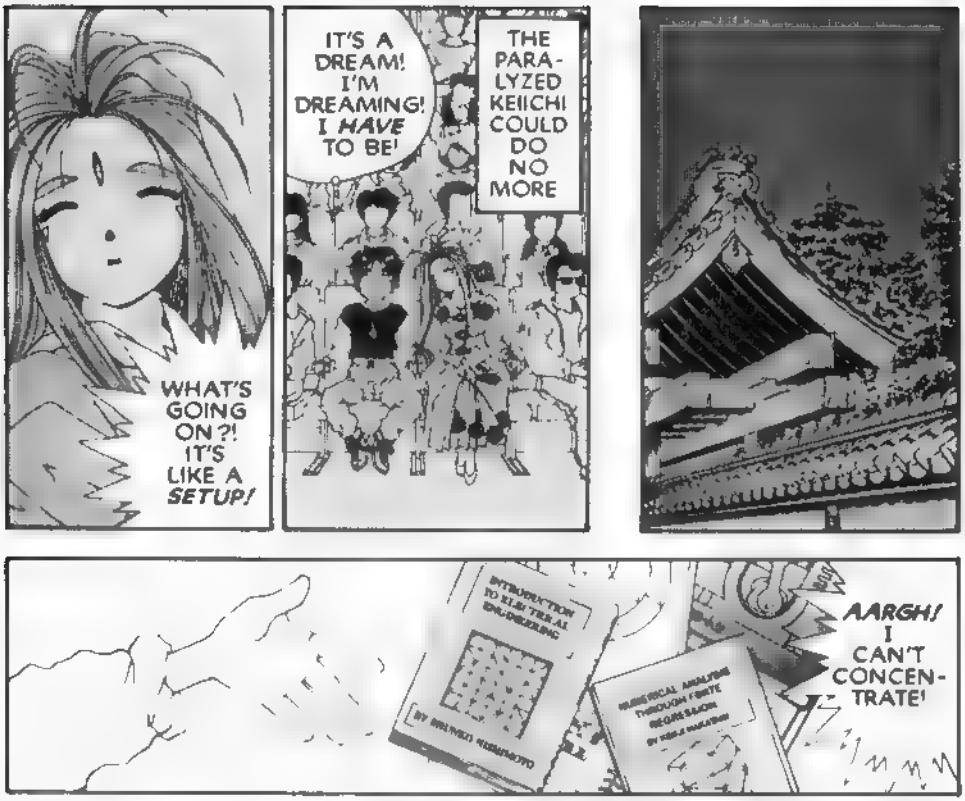
HELLLO...
SQPSH
WAAH!!
WHA-?!
WHASSIT?! YES! NO!
WHAT THE DEVIL? BELL-DANDY'S ACTING AWFULLY *SEXY* TODAY...
KEIICHI...

...I'M GOING OUT SHOPPING YOU WANT TO COME ALONG?
EH? UH..
UH, SURE!
SO THAT'S HOW IT WAS! THE HW
GOOD GOOD
LOOKS LIKE IT KICKED IN AT LAST!
OF COURSE! I'M A.
...GENIUS!
HO HO HO!!

I'M BACK.
FIND WHAT YOU WANTED?
THESE?
SORT OF A THIN COOKIE STICK DIPPED IN CHOCO-LATE
THEY'RE GOOD!
HMM? WHAT ARE THOSE?
I THINK I'LL HAVE A BIT OF YOURS...
AH!
MACH MACH
AH . AH AHH!

SNAP
OH, WELL-- TOO BAD!
WOW WHAT'S GOTTEN INTO HER TODAY?!
KEIICHI HOW ABOUT CATCH-ING A MOVIE?
EH?
BUT I THOUGHT YOU WANTED TO SHOP
DON'T BE SO DENSE!
I INVITED YOU ALONG SO I COULD BE ALONE WITH YOU!
OR... IS SEEING A MOVIE WITH ME SO DIS-TASTE-FUL?
AH?! NO! OF COURSE NOT!
I'D LOVE TO SEE A MOVIE!

WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT IT A MOVIE THEATER IS A MYSTERIOUS PLACE
THE IMAGES SWIMMING UP OUT OF THE DARKNESS ARE ILLUSIONS NOTHING MORE
BUT SOMEHOW THEY CAN REALLY FORCE YOU TO THINK ABOUT THINGS LIKE MEN AND WOMEN
I MEAN NOR-MALLY IT'S LIKE NOTHING SPECIAL
BUT WHEN YOU'RE HERE WITH A GIRL THEN YOU CAN'T STOP YOURSELF THINKING--

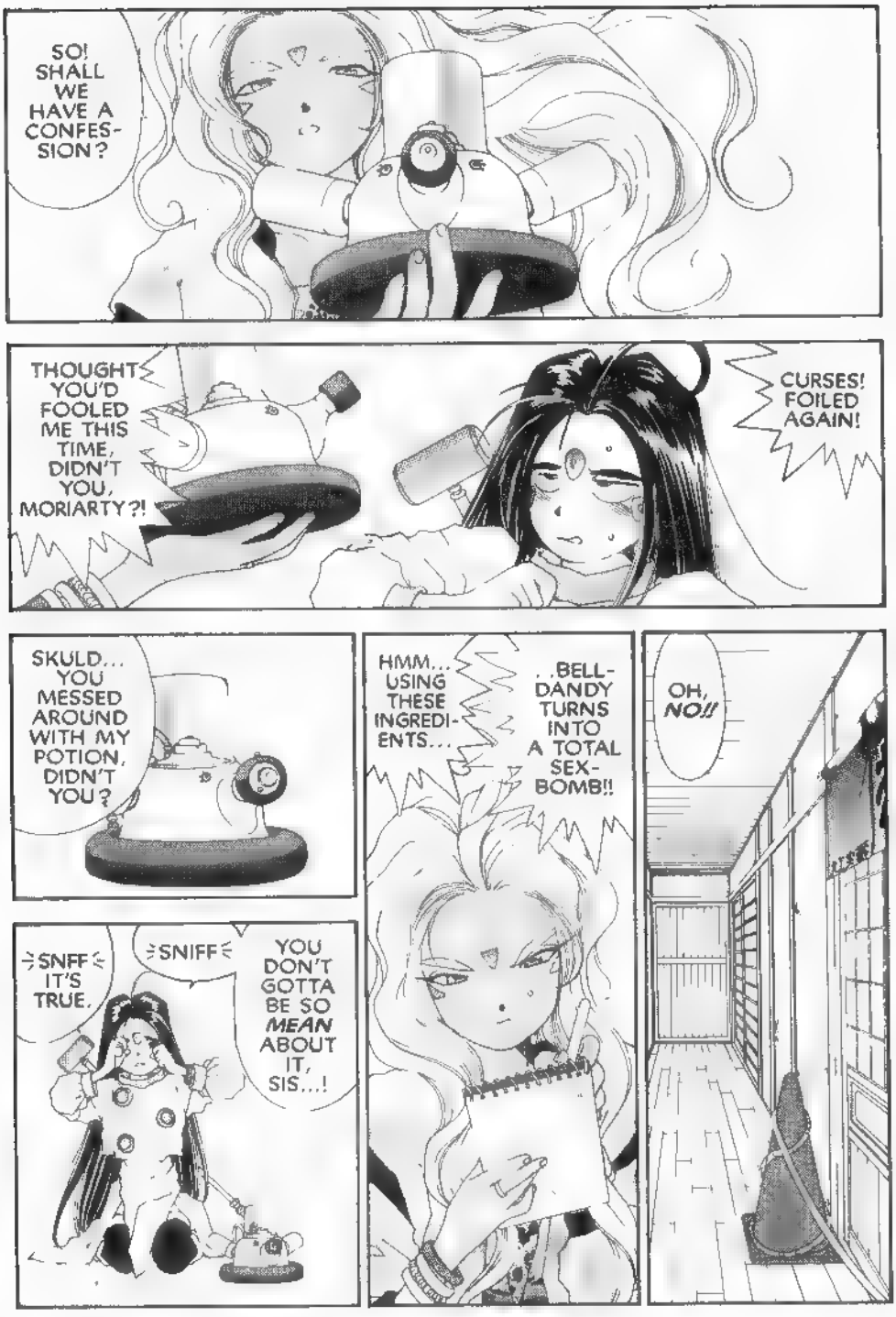

WHAT'S GOING ON?! IT'S LIKE A SETUP!
IT'S A DREAM! I'M DREAMING! I HAVE TO BE!
THE PARA-LYZED KEIICHI COULD DO NO MORE
AARGH! I CAN'T CONCEN-TRATE!
I KEEP REMEM-BERING THE MOVIE THEATER.
CAN'T GET IT OUT OF MY HEAD!
NOK NOK
COME IN!
HELLO, DEAR.

UH, HI . SO, UH, WHAT'S UP?
UM . ARE YOU OKAY?
KEIICHI.
I REALLY LIKE YOU
YEEK!
WH- WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU?!
SPROING

WRONG ..? WHAT'S WRONG ABOUT IT?
KEIICHI... WHAT'S MAKING YOU .. . SO AFRAID?
SHE'S RIGHT I'VE BEEN LIVING IN FEAR...
FEAR THAT IF THE TWO OF US CROSS A CERTAIN LINE
THEN, WHEN THE TIME COMES FOR BELLDANDY TO GO HOME...
WHY, KEIICHI?
CAN'T I GET ANY CLOSER TO YOU THAN THIS?
WILL SHE BE ABLE TO GO BACK? WILL I BE ABLE TO *LET* HER GO BACK?
WILL IT SOME-HOW HARM HER RETURN MECHA-NISM?
I JUST ..
...I JUST WANT TO BE CLOSER TO YOU, KEIICHI AS CLOSE AS I CAN GET.
MAYBE IT'S JUST AN EXCUSE, AN APOLOGY FOR MY OWN WEAK-NESS. AND YET AND YET..

AH THE HELL WITH IT! I CAN'T STAND IT ANY MORE!!

URD'S ROOM
1...
2...
3...
...16!
MMM... MY SWEET HANI JERIOHN... YOU'RE ALL HERE
URD NEVER NEGLECTED TO INVENTORY ALL HER MEDICINES EVERY NIGHT.
DEAR LITTLE PAKDOR-TAMYA X-20...
ALL FIFTEEN OUNCES..
...NOT!
I'M SHORT TWO OUNCES!
AH! MY GAPURA OIL, TOO!
AND MY FEATHERS OF BINTARIKA!
NO MAGMA DOKSAS THORN?!
WHO DID THIS.. ?!
HEY!! MY ALARM CLOCK!
GONE!
AND THIS THING...
...IS HERE!!
I GUESS...
HMPH!
...IT WAS OBVIOUS ALL ALONG


SO! SHALL WE HAVE A CONFES-SION?
THOUGHT YOU'D FOOLED ME THIS TIME, DIDN'T YOU, MORIARTY?!
CURSES! FOILED AGAIN!
SKULD... YOU MESSED AROUND WITH MY POTION, DIDN'T YOU?
HMM... USING THESE INGREDI-ENTS...
..BELL-DANDY TURNS INTO A TOTAL SEX-BOMB!!
OH, NO!!
SNFF IT'S TRUE.
SNIFF
YOU DON'T GOTTA BE SO MEAN ABOUT IT, SIS...!

NO...
...IT'S JUST NOT RIGHT.
SOME-THING'S WRONG HERE.
NO, BUT... I LIKE THE BELLDANDY THAT'S STRAIGHT-FORWARD AND HONEST, WHO DOESN'T KNOW HOW TO DISTRUST OTHER PEOPLE...
WHY NOT?
DO YOU... HATE ME?
...WHO'S SWEET AND KIND TO EVERY-BODY...
...
...NMPH?!

SSH!
HANG IN THERE!
MMPH!
NMF
MNPH!!
NNG!
GULP
...OF COURSE, I REALLY WISH YOU'D ONLY BE KIND AND SWEET TO ME, BUT...
.. NOT REALLY!
I DON'T KNOW HOW TO SAY IT, BUT..
AH?'
...I LIKE...
...I LIKE MY GENTLE, SHY BELL-DANDY BETTER.
AH...
AH...!
KEIICHI...

I LOVE YOU SO MUCH!

GOOD FOR YOU, BELL-DANDY!
AH, WELL... I GUESS IT WAS *MOSTLY* BECAUSE OF MY POTION .
AND NOW .. SKULD DEAR--YOU KNOW WHAT HAP-PENS *NEXT,* DON'T YOU.. ?
ULP!
NO...
URD... PLEASE?
WAAH!!
I CAN'T *STAND* IT! HE'S STEALING MY SISTER AWAY!
GOOD, GOOD! *NEXT!*
MAKE A MACHINE THAT DOES *NOTHING* BUT GO IN CIRCLES!
NO! NOOO! *STOP IT!!*
PLEASE DON'T MAKE ME MAKE ANY MORE MACHINES THAT DON'T DO ANY-THING USE-FUL!! *PLEEEAASE!!*

NEXT ISSUE THE QUEEN OF VENGEANCE

The Queen of Vengeance

WHAM!
ZZ
NRK
HAH!
YER ONE POINT-TWO MILLION YEARS TOO YOUNG.
...TO DRINK THISH LADY UNNER THE TABLE, PAL!

YEESH.. I TELL YA...
WIMPS! BUN--→NICE← BUNCHA DAMN WIMPS!
AAHH... ..
.. NOTHING GIVES ME A THRILL ANYMORE.
AREN'T THERE ANY SERIOUS STUD-MONSTERS OUT THERE?
SOME-ONE TO GET MY ADRENA-LINE GOING?!
YA STUPID JERKS!!
WHAM
GET OUTTA MY WAY!

GEE, BELL-DANDY. .
.. HOW LONG ARE YOU PLANNING TO KEEP WORK-ING ON THAT?
JUST A LITTLE LONGER
IT'S SO *DUMB*-- IF YOU USED YOUR POWERS, YOU COULD BE DONE IN A COUPLE A' MINUTES!
Dance, Dance With Me...
Crossing Over, Twisting Under, Into a Single Pattern Grow!
FWSHH
WHSSH

ORGG... MY POWER! I'M RUNNING OUT ..OF... POWER
THAT'S 'CAUSE YOU ALWAYS WASTE IT!
OUR POWER DEPENDS ON THESE LITTLE MOON-ROCK BRACELETS NOW, REMEMBER?
URD, DEAR ...
...KNITTING IS MORE THAN JUST MAKING SOME-THING.
YOU DON'T EXACTLY NEED TO BE THINKING OF SOME SPECIAL PERSON
JUST... THE JOYS OF THE DAY, THE MOMENTS OF SADNESS...
ALL THOSE MEMO-RIES..
ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS KNIT THEM IN...
LIKE FILLING UP YOUR DIARY, LINE BY LINE.
AND IF THOUGHTS OF THAT SPECIAL PERSON ARE IN THERE, TOO, THEN...

...YOUR KNITTING WILL OVERFLOW WITH LOVE AND WARMTH.
UNDERSTAND?
IT'S BEYOND ME, SIS, THAT WORLD YOU LIVE IN.
BUT STILL..
...THAT SWEATER LOOKS *PLENTY* WARM.
BELL-DANDY!!
LOOKIT I FOUND! ISN'T THIS *GREAT* WRAPPING PAPER?!

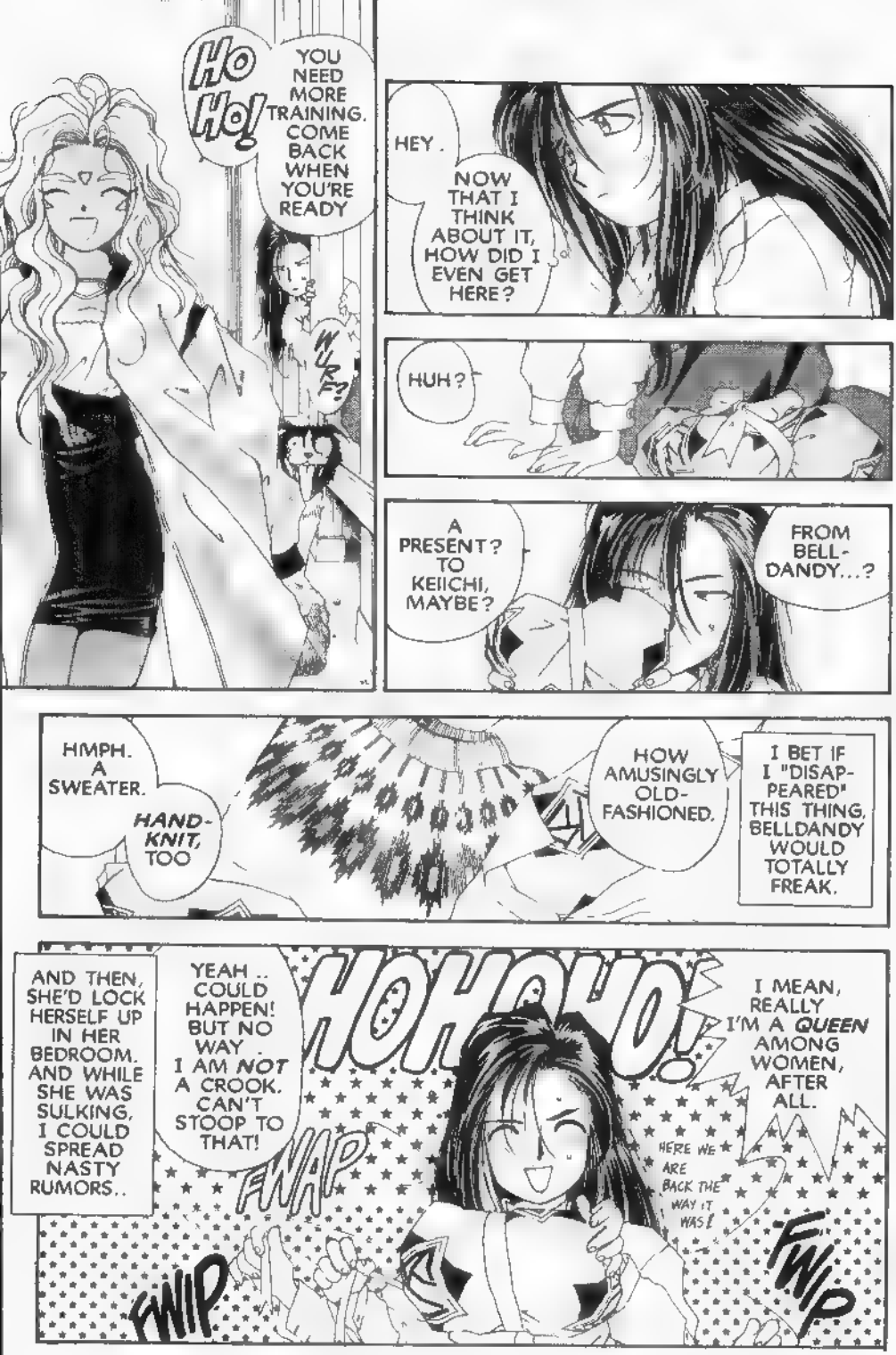
WON-DERFUL! THANK YOU SO MUCH, SKULD
HEH HEH!
SINCE WHEN DID YOU GET SO THOUGHT-FUL, BRAT?
WHERE'D YOU FIND IT?
THERE WAS SOME THAT WAS JUST PER-FECT...
...IN THE KITCHEN CUP-BOARD.
HUH ...?
WHO LEFT THESE COOKIES UN-WRAPPED LIKE THIS?
AH, WELL
I'VE GOT OTHER THINGS TO WORRY ABOUT NOW.
LIKE THAT BIG TEST TOMOR-ROW...

BONGG
ARG! WHAT THE HECK IS THAT?!
BONGG
BUNCHA USELESS TURKEYS!!
NYA HA HA HA HA"
BONGG

SAYOKO? WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
HEYY, KEIICHI OL' BUDDY OL' PAL!!
I BROUGHT YA SOME GRUB!
COME AND RING IN THE MORNING WITH ME!
=sniff=
=hic=
OH, JEEZ, SAYOKO... YOU'RE TOTALLY SMASHED AGAIN!
WHAT'S THE PROBLEM THIS TIME?
!!
WAAH!
KEIICHI, YOU GOTTA...
I'M...
I'M ALL...
...
=sniff=
ULP?! WHA-

WAAAHHH!!!
YEOW! LEMME GO!
STILL
WHAT DID HAPPEN LAST NIGHT ?
My special hangover cure. Mix up the water and drink it all at once. XX
PS Don't worry about what happened last night
HEH KEIICHI YOU SWEETIE
BRMMMBB

BRMMB
OOG MY HEAD'S POUND-ING...
IT'S TOO EARLY FOR THIS...
URD YOU TAKE CARE OF SAYOKO, OKAY?
YEAH SURE
AND YOU BETTER ACE THAT TEST!
?
BRMB
FWIP FWIP FWIP
OH, IT'S JUST THAT MUTT FROM NEXT DOOR.
hahh
hahh
YOU WANT THIS COOK-IE?
WOOF! YIP!

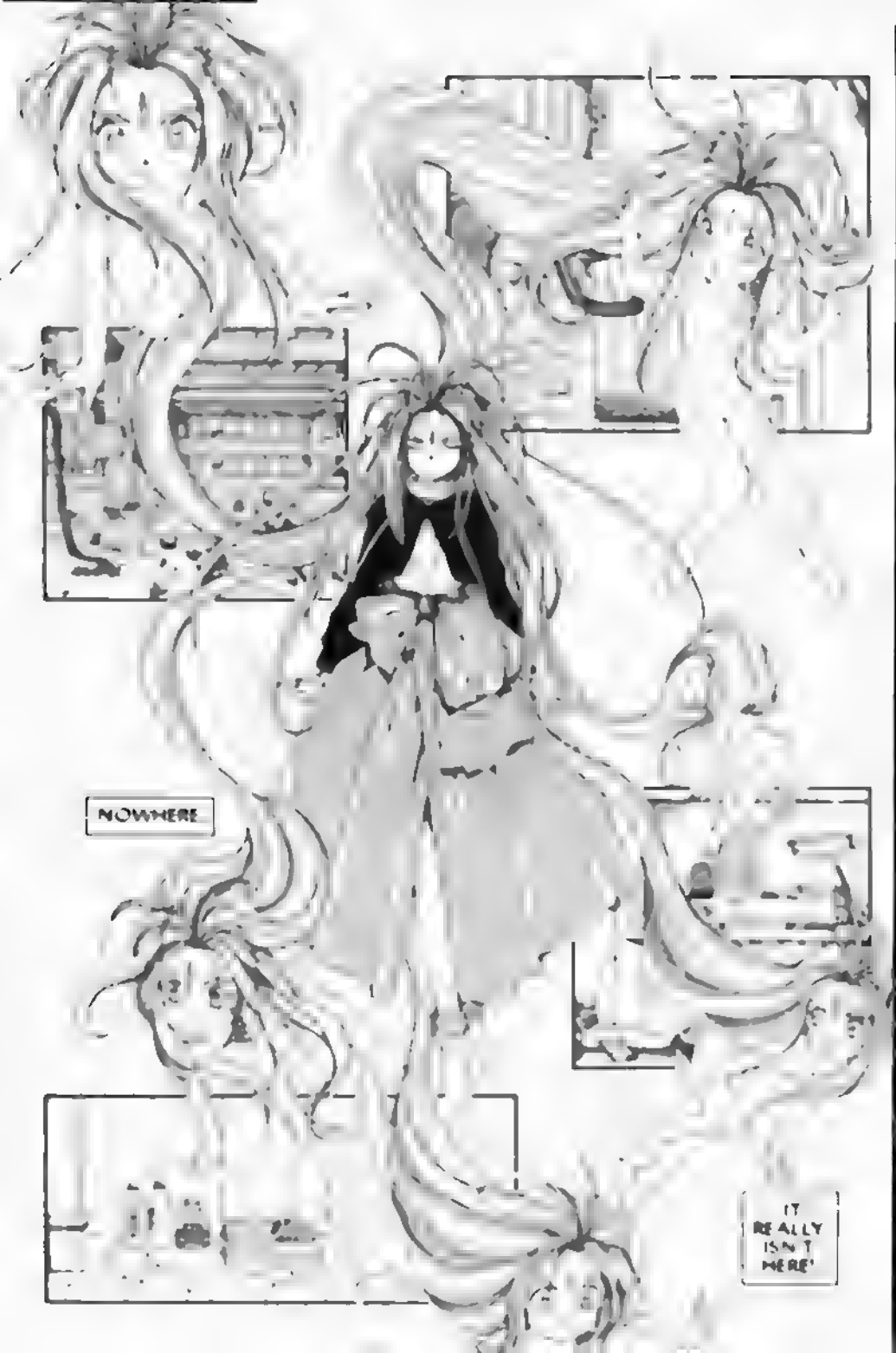

HO HO!
YOU NEED MORE TRAINING. COME BACK WHEN YOU'RE READY
WUF?
HEY.
NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, HOW DID I EVEN GET HERE?
HUH?
A PRESENT? TO KEIICHI, MAYBE?
FROM BELL-DANDY...?
HMPH. A SWEATER.
HAND-KNIT, TOO
HOW AMUSINGLY OLD-FASHIONED.
I BET IF I "DISAP-PEARED" THIS THING, BELLDANDY WOULD TOTALLY FREAK.
AND THEN, SHE'D LOCK HERSELF UP IN HER BEDROOM. AND WHILE SHE WAS SULKING, I COULD SPREAD NASTY RUMORS..
YEAH .. COULD HAPPEN! BUT NO WAY. I AM NOT A CROOK. CAN'T STOOP TO THAT!
FWAP
FWIP
HOHOHO!
I MEAN, REALLY I'M A QUEEN AMONG WOMEN, AFTER ALL.
HERE WE ARE BACK THE WAY IT WAS!
FWIP

hahh hehh
?
EEEK!
SNF
SNF
hahh
hahh
HO HO HO! THIS TIME IT WASN'T ME!
I WAS JUST AN INNOCENT BY-STANDER! RIGHT?!
AND NOW...
...JUST TO MAKE IT PER-FECT..
HEY, MUTT! HERE, BOY!
WURF?
GRR
MNCH

HEH HEH
NOW I JUST DISPOSE OF THIS LITTLE ITEM..
OTAKI FRIED CHICKEN
AND IF I DO THAT. .
PHEW FINISHED AT LAST
I THINK I MANAGED TO PASS.
NO KIDDING? WH- WHAT'S THAT?
YOU WORKED SO HARD, KEIICHI
I THINK YOU DESERVE A SPECIAL REWARD.
HEY KEIICHI!

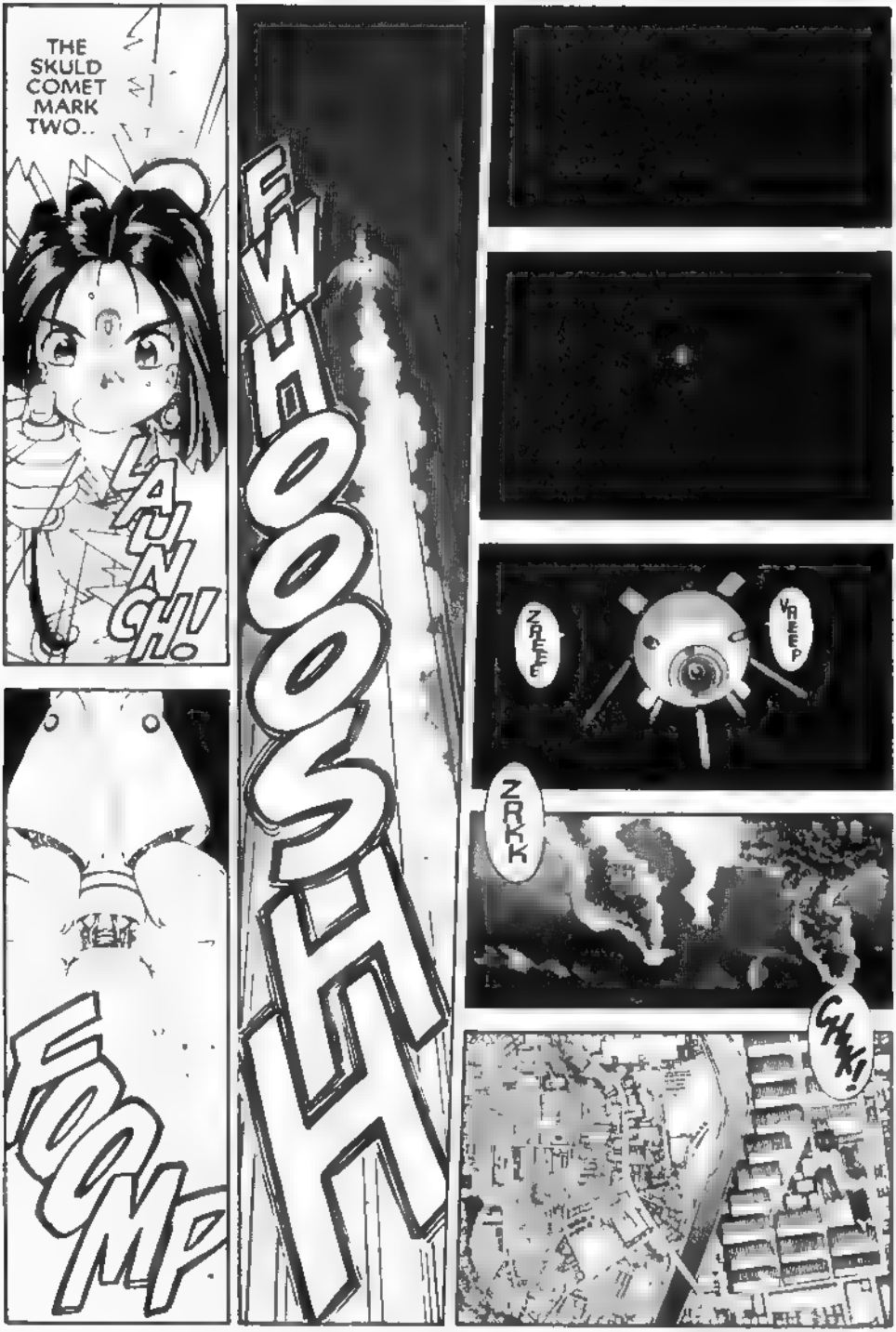
HI.
OH, HI, SAYOKO. YOU FEELING OKAY NOW?
I GUESS I GAVE YOU A LOT OF TROUBLE YESTERDAY.
BELL-DANDY-- I'M GOING TO BORROW HIM FOR A WHILE
SAYS WHO?! I MIGHT HAVE SOMETHING TO--
COME ON, KIDDO... IT'S ON ME
I JUST HAVE TO MAKE UP FOR IT WITH A NICE LUNCH.
WELL, IF YOU MUST.
YOU TWO HAVE A GOOD TIME, NOW!
YEESH. BELL-DANDY NEVER PUTS UP A FIGHT.
PLEASE BRING HIM BACK IN TIME FOR DINNER!
AH, WELL. DOESN'T MATTER.

STILL, I'D LOVE TO SEE THE GIRL'S FACE WHEN SHE GETS HOME...
GONE ..?
IT'S GONE!
IT CAN'T BE!
NOT MY SWEATER!
IT CAN'T JUST VANISH... IT HAS TO BE IN THE HOUSE SOME-WHERE.
I'VE GOT TO FIND IT!
I'LL PUT ON FOUR MOON BRACE-LETS...
THAT SHOULD GIVE ME FOUR TIMES THE POWER.
Go Forth...
...Sensors!

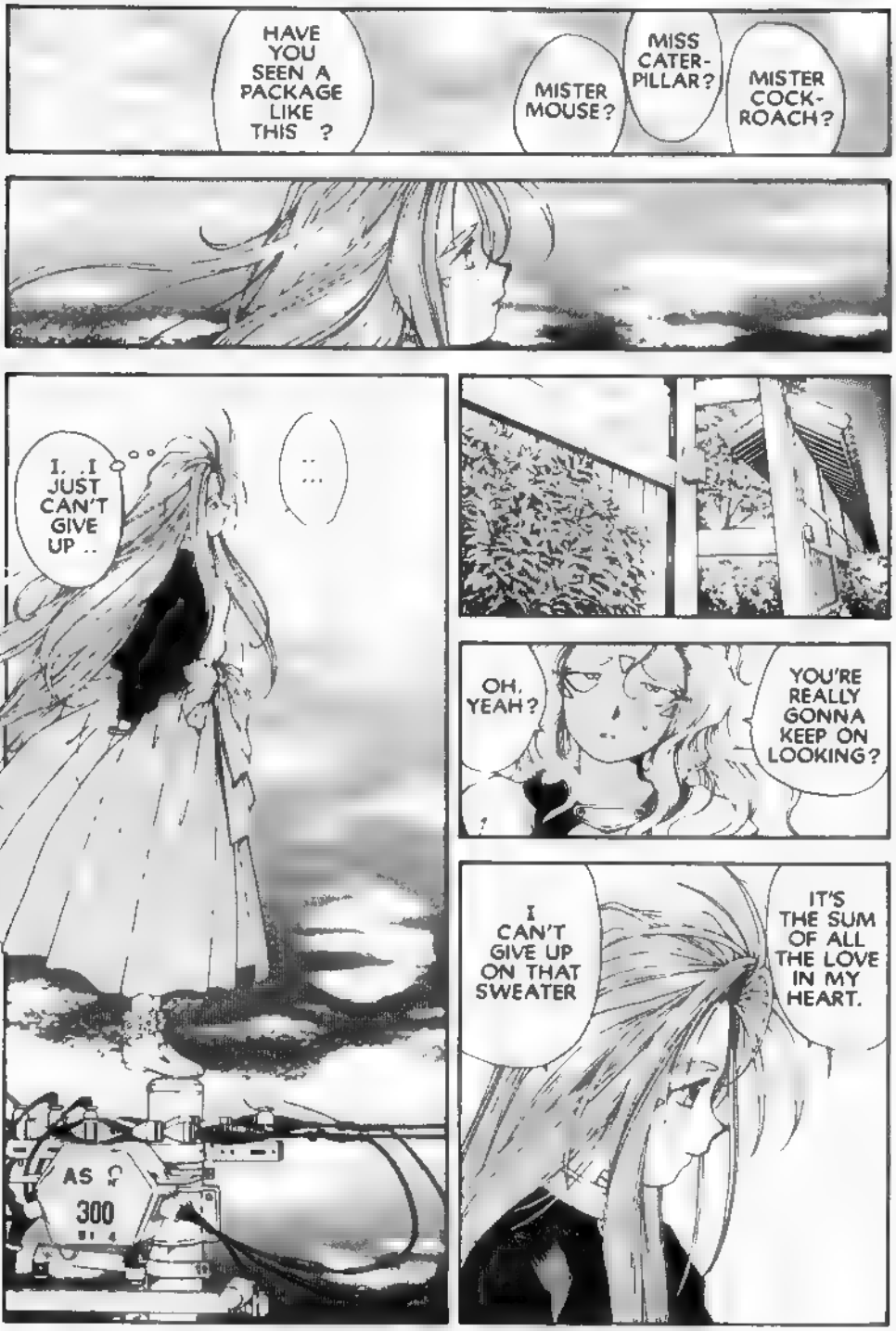

NOWHERE
IT REALLY ISN'T HERE!

HUH? YOUR SWEATER?
IT'S REALLY GONE?!
IT DISAPPEARED ABOUT THE SAME TIME SAYOKO LEFT.
DON'T TELL ME THAT CONNIVING LITTLE--
I HONESTLY DON'T THINK IT'S HER.
SHE'S NOT REALLY A BAD PERSON.
DID YOU SEE, LITTLE BIRD?
TELL ME... WHO TOOK MY SWEATER?

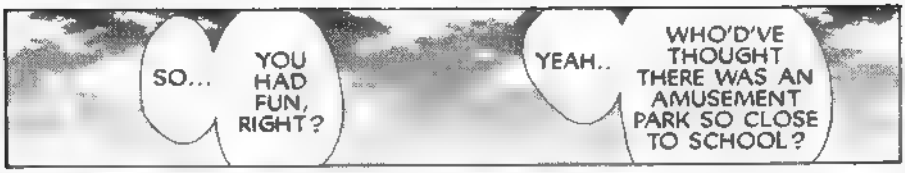
EH?!
A DOG CARRIED IT AWAY IN ITS MOUTH?
AH, HAH! SO THAT'S IT
THAT WRAPPING PAPER WAS FROM THE COOKIES!
JEEZ, THAT DUMB MUTT!
SKULD!
YOU REALLY SCREWED UP THIS TIME!!
WAAAH! HOW WAS I SUPPOSED TO KNOW?!
JUST MAKE SURE..
FSSSHHHHH
THAT YOU FIND IT, KIDDO!
I'VE EVEN LOANED YOU MY MAXWELL'S DEMON STONE, SO--
I KNOW, I KNOW!

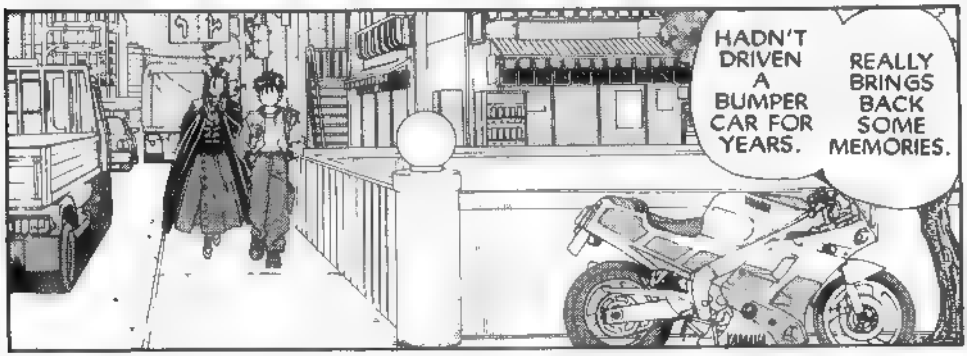

THE SKULD COMET MARK TWO..
LAUNCH!
FOOMP
FWHOOSH
ZREEP
VREEP
ZRKK
CHK!

HMM...
OHMIGOD! I--I DON'T BELIEVE IT!
THERE'S AN ICE CREAM STORE NEAR US I'VE NEVER BEEN TO!
OWW! URD! STOP! I'M SORRY!
I'LL GET SERIOUS! I PROMISE!
N-NO! DON'T SHOW ME THOSE USELESS MACHINES AGAIN! AIEEEE!
IT LOOKS LIKE THIS...
PRRRR
HAVE YOU SEEN IT, MISS CAT?
UM... EXCUSE ME...
THAT'S OKAY... THANK YOU ANY-WAY.


HAVE YOU SEEN A PACKAGE LIKE THIS ?
MISTER MOUSE?
MISS CATER-PILLAR?
MISTER COCK-ROACH?
I, .I JUST CAN'T GIVE UP ..
..
...
OH, YEAH?
YOU'RE REALLY GONNA KEEP ON LOOKING?
I CAN'T GIVE UP ON THAT SWEATER
IT'S THE SUM OF ALL THE LOVE IN MY HEART.
AS
300

HUH
I GUESS I UNDER-STAND.
EVEN ME, ONCE I START SOME-THING...
...IT KINDA PISSES ME OFF TO GIVE UP!
BEHOLD! URD'S DIRECT CONNECT EIGHT RING FULL POWER INCANTA-TION!
Sweaf-er... Come to Me!
EEK!!
YOW!
MMPH?!
THAT'S OUR URD.

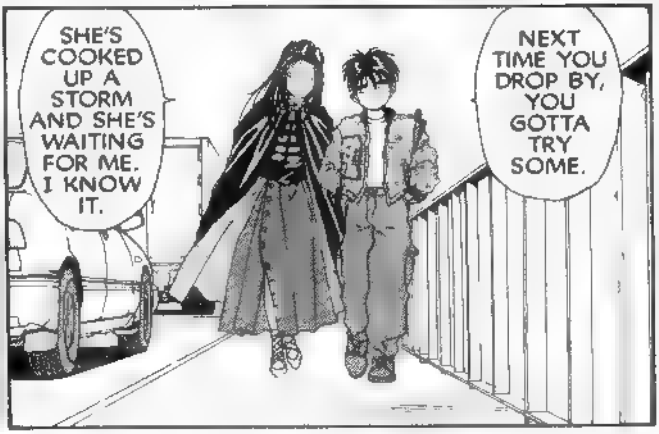

SO... YOU HAD FUN, RIGHT?
YEAH.. WHO'D'VE THOUGHT THERE WAS AN AMUSEMENT PARK SO CLOSE TO SCHOOL?


HADN'T DRIVEN A BUMPER CAR FOR YEARS.
REALLY BRINGS BACK SOME MEMORIES.

HEH, HEH, HEH... ONCE I PRY HIM AWAY FROM HER, HE'S PUTTY IN MY HANDS.
AND NOW TO BEND HIM FOREVER TO MY WILL. .

COME ON, MORISATO! LET'S GO GET DINNER.
AND OF COURSE, I'LL PAY.

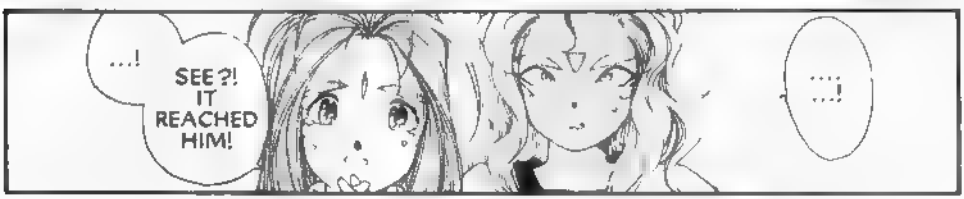
SORRY, SAYOKO. DINNER TIME'S OFF-LIMITS.
WHY?!

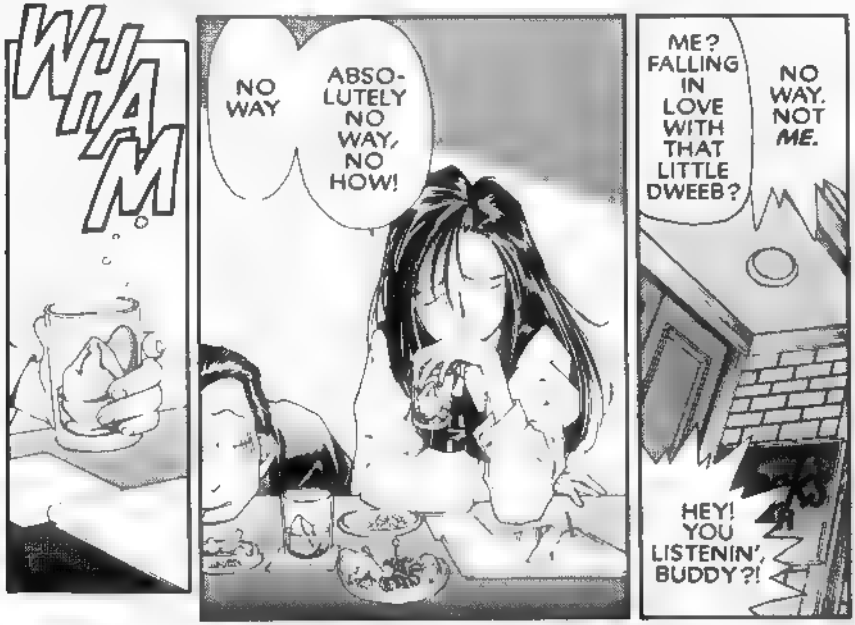

SHE'S COOKED UP A STORM AND SHE'S WAITING FOR ME. I KNOW IT.
NEXT TIME YOU DROP BY, YOU GOTTA TRY SOME.

IT'S SO DELI-CIOUS!
WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING SO HAPPY ABOUT, KEIICHI?!
I DON'T GET IT-- WHAT'S SO GREAT ABOUT HOME COOKING?
ABOUT HAND-KNIT SWEAT-ERS?!
NO!! I CAN'T JUST THROW IT AWAY!
HUH?
I'LL JUST DROP THIS STUPID THING...
...INTO THE RIVER...
THIS STUPID THING.
!

WHA--
WHAT'S THIS?
WEAR IT HOME, AND THEN YOU'LL SEE.
...S-STUPID!
"STUPID" ...?
ME? B-BUT WHY...?
MAYBE YOU SHOULD JUST ACCEPT THAT IT'S GONE. I MEAN, EVEN THE BATTERIES ON SKULD'S SATELLITE HAVE RUN OUT..
NO.

WE'LL FIND IT. I KNOW WE WILL.
MY FEELINGS ALWAYS REACH HIM... ALWAYS.
THEY REACH THE HEART OF MY DEAR KEIICHI
YES, YES THAT'S JUST SO BEAUTIFUL, BUT--
HEY-- SOUNDS LIKE HE'S HOME.
BRMMB





NEXT ISSUE- MARA STRIKES BACK, PART I!

KOSUKE FUJISHIMA

Oh My Goddess!

藤島康介

Mara Strikes Back!

BRRRP
GEE.. WEIRD WEATHER TODAY.
BRAAAPP
?
THUNDER?
KRAKOOM
WHAM!

I'M BACK! I'M FINALLY BACK!
Mister Unhappy

IT WAS SO LONG...
...WAITING THROUGH THOSE ENDLESS DAYS..
WAITING FOR MY INJURIES FROM THE LORD OF TERROR TO HEAL!*
FORCED TO SOAK IN THE HEALING HOT SPRINGS
* SEE THE "TERRIBLE MASTER JRD" GRAPHIC NOVEL
COME ON AND FIGHT!
WRESTLING THE WILD ANIMALS FOR REHABILITATION...!
JUST YOU WAIT! YOU THREE SISTERS...
...ARE DONE FOR AT LAST!
GAME OVER! DAS ENDE!
KONK

!
AH
ER
WHO
WHO ARE YOU ?!
SHE SAYS FELL RIGHT OUTTA THE SKY!
HAH!
!!
YOU!
AREN'T YOU....

KEIICHI'S LITTLE SISTER?
I. .
EEEK!!
HELP!!
RAPE!!
C- CUT THAT OUT! WHAT'LL PEOPLE THINK?!
I'M A WOMAN, YOU DUMB KID!
STILL...
NOW THAT I GET A GOOD LOOK AT YOU, YOU ARE SORT OF CUTE.
SWEET THING .. YOU SHALL BE MINE!

AND NOW, THE *SIGNING* CEREMONY!
YOU'RE LUCKY YOU KNOW.
I ONLY CONTRACT WITH WOMEN I LIKE.
NO
HELP ME.
MY BODY.
I C-CAN'T MOVE
KEIICHI!
SAVE ME!

KRNCH
KRRR
I CAN'T BELIEVE I'VE GOTTEN SO USED TO THIS BODY...
FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO DON'T KNOW, THIS IS THE TEMPORARY MANIFESTATION OF THE EARTH SPIRIT (THIRD-CLASS) LIVING IN MEGUMI'S APARTMENT.
KCHAK
!
OH IT'S JUST MEGU..
OH NO IT'S NOT!
THAT'S NOT MEGUMI!
WHD
WHD

HMPH!!
WHAT IS THIS JUNK?!
ARRG .. NO GOOD. NO GOOD!
SQUE!
!!
HUH?
DAMN... NOT A DECENT THING TO WEAR IN THE WHOLE HOUSE!
SQUE!
ALL RIGHT! WHO THE DEVIL ARE YOU?!
PSSHH

KA-KAK
HMPH!
DAMN! I SAID, WHO...
THIS IS THE DEVIL I AM!
TH-THAT MARK!
GULP
A... A DEMON FIRST CLASS!

VERY GOOD IF YOU KNOW THAT MUCH...
.WE CAN SAVE SOME TIME
FEZZA
N-NO!
W-WAIT!
AIEE!
..
IT SEEMS YOU LIKE BEING A RAT...
. SO STAY ONE FOREVER!
BWAHA HAHA!!

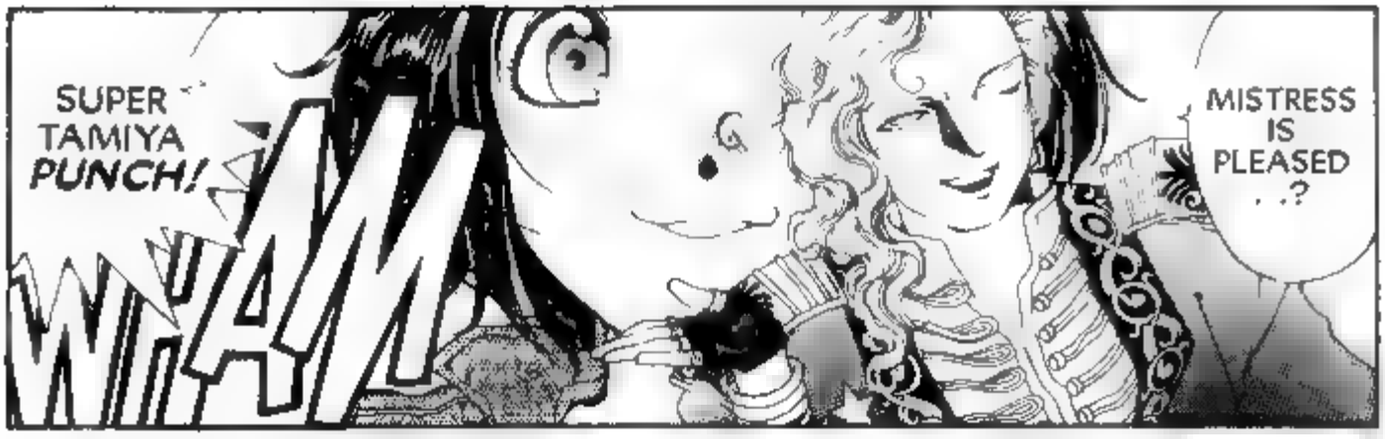
WHAT KIND OF TEST DRIVE *IS* IT?
BEATS ME WHAT-EVER THOSE BIG LUGS COME UP WITH
HEH HERE THEY COME
AND THEY HAVE *NO IDEA* WHAT *HELL* AWAITS THEM...
HEH HEH HEH
THE TIME HAS COME TO BREAK THE DEMON SEAL!
I CALL FORTH *SENBEI THE GENIE!*
BSSHH

SENBEI HONORED YOU CALLED, O MISTRESS!
HEH HEH HEH
FWSSSHHHH
I AM... SENBEI THE GOD OF POVERTY AND DISASTER!

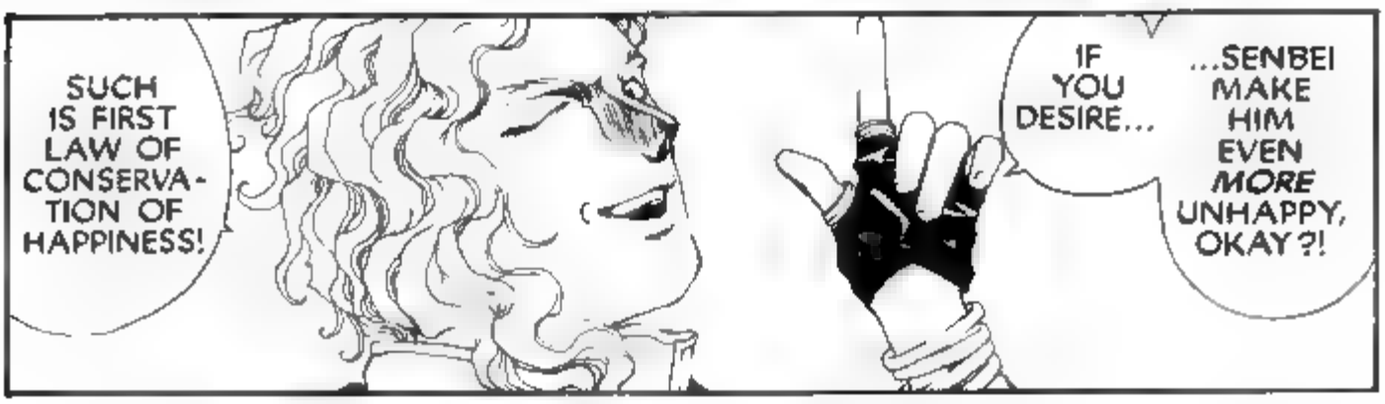
MY HAPPINESS IS MAKING ALL OTHERS UNHAPPY!
SHALL I MAKE YOU UNHAPPY, THEN?!
BACK OFF, BIMBO BOY!
OW!
WHAK
TARGET LOCK!
SENBEI ATTACK!!
THE TARGET'S OVER THERE!
OH! SO SORRY!
OOPS!

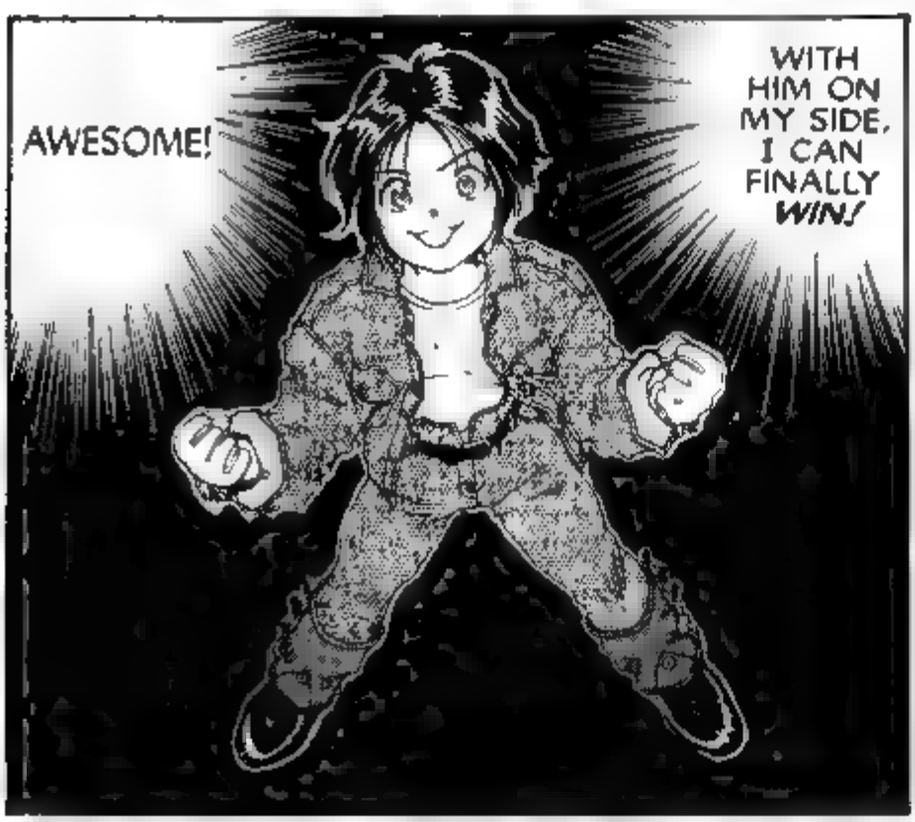
SHSSS
!!
WHAT WAS THAT? THAT SUDDEN CHILL ?
ATTACK!!
FWIP
AIEE!
I'M NOT FOOL ENOUGH TO FALL FOR THAT!
IRE
THOK
OH, COME ON! A FORTY-YEAR-OLD GAG LIKE THIS?!

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT! A THIRTY-YEAR-OLD GAG?!
WHOA!
AAH!
OOP.
KANG
FIRE
AIEE!!
T-TAMIYA! LOOK OUT!
WHRAMM
HNNG!
A-
O-
SHI-
MA!
FOOL!
I'M SORRY I'M SORRY!
RMBB
BMBB


SUPER TAMIYA PUNCH!
WHAM
MISTRESS IS PLEASED . . .?

YOU SEE, VOLUME OF HAPPINESS IN UNIVERSE IS FINITE!
BY BRINGING MISFORTUNE TO HIM...
..SENBEI'S HAPPINESS QUOTIENT GO UP, UP, UP!


SUCH IS FIRST LAW OF CONSERVATION OF HAPPINESS!
IF YOU DESIRE...
...SENBEI MAKE HIM EVEN MORE UNHAPPY, OKAY?!

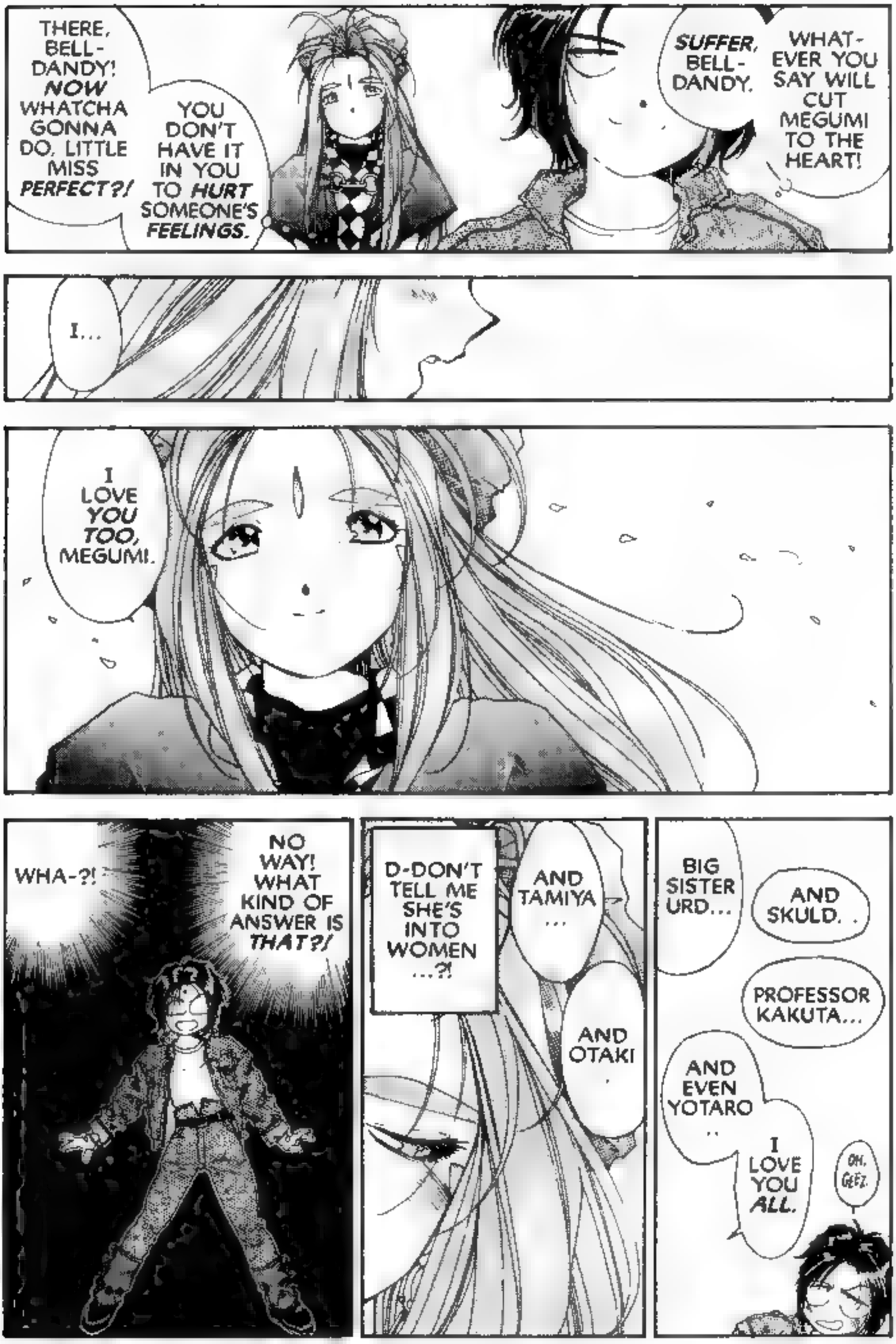

AWESOME!
WITH HIM ON MY SIDE, I CAN FINALLY WIN!

AND AS A SPECIAL SERVICE, SENBEI DOES THE HAPPY-HAPPY DANCE, JUST FOR YOU!
THEN AGAIN, MAYBE NOT..
Hey Baby! Happy-Happy!
GIMME A BREAK!

LISTEN UP, YOU... THIS IS YOUR REAL TARGET.
I'LL LURE BELL-DANDY AWAY.
AND WHEN SHE GONE, SENBEI DO BIG UN-HAPPY TO THIS GUY, YES?!
OKAY! ROGER! U-BETCHA!
WOW! MAPLE LEAF TEA?
YES. I TRIED USING THE MAPLE IN OUR GARDEN.
YUMMY!
Bell-Dandy-yyy!
OH, MEGUMI! YES .?

EXCELLENT. SHE DOESN'T NOTICE A THING
I'VE GOT DOUBLE-STRENGTH SHIELDS UP
I, UMM THERE'S SOMETHING I'VE GOTTA TALK TO YOU ABOUT.
ALL RIGHT, SENBEI--
--GO GET HIM!!
SO TALK AWAY.
WELL, UH... IT'S KIND OF A PRIVATE THING FOR BELL-DANDY.
IS IT ALL RIGHT WITH YOU, KEIICHI?
LITTLE BRAT
YEAH, I GUESS SO. I'LL MEET YOU AT THE MOTOR CLUB, OKAY?
SO, MEGUMI
WHAT IS IT, MY DEAR?
HUH?
WELL UH.. GEE...
BELLDANDY...
I...

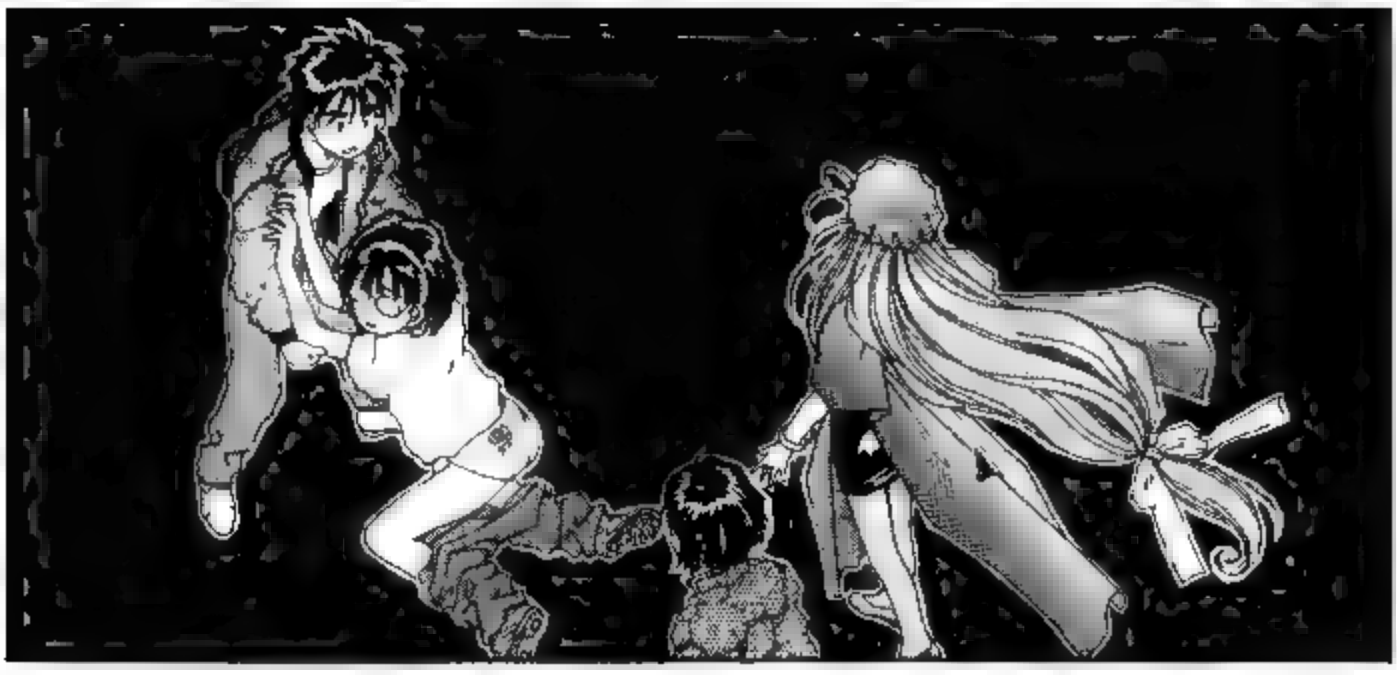
I.
I'VE DECIDED THAT
...I THINK I LOVE YOU.
...

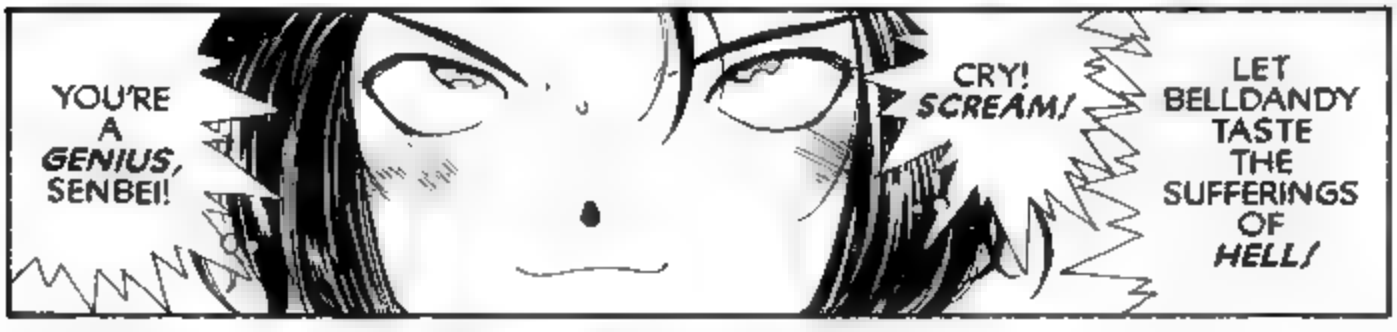

THERE, BELL-DANDY! NOW WHATCHA GONNA DO, LITTLE MISS PERFECT?!
YOU DON'T HAVE IT IN YOU TO HURT SOMEONE'S FEELINGS.
SUFFER, BELL-DANDY.
WHAT-EVER YOU SAY WILL CUT MEGUMI TO THE HEART!
I...
I LOVE YOU TOO, MEGUMI.
WHA-?!
NO WAY! WHAT KIND OF ANSWER IS THAT?!
D-DON'T TELL ME SHE'S INTO WOMEN ...?!
AND TAMIYA ...
AND OTAKI .
BIG SISTER URD...
AND SKULD. .
PROFESSOR KAKUTA...
AND EVEN YOTARO ..
I LOVE YOU ALL.
OH, GEEZ.

AND KEIICHI?
WHAT ABOUT KEIICHI?
I LOVE KEIICHI BEST OF ALL!
BARFF!!
GEEZ MEGUMI
SINCE WHEN DO YOU HAVE TO KEEP SECRETS FROM YOUR OWN BROTHER?

SHEESH
DON'T TELL ME SHE FINALLY GOT A BOY-FRIEND ...?
AH, SENBEI SEES IT NOW
MAKING THIS ONE UNHAPPY IS WORTHY CHAL-LENGE!
ATTACK!!
=oof=
!!
UH...
AH?! I, UH, SORRY! HA HA! OOPS!
OH...!
CLUB MEMBER SORA HASEGAWA .

FMPF
FWAP
AH!
HELLO!
SORRY WE'RE LATE!




YOU'RE A GENIUS, SENBEI!
CRY! SCREAM!
LET BELLDANDY TASTE THE SUFFERINGS OF HELL!

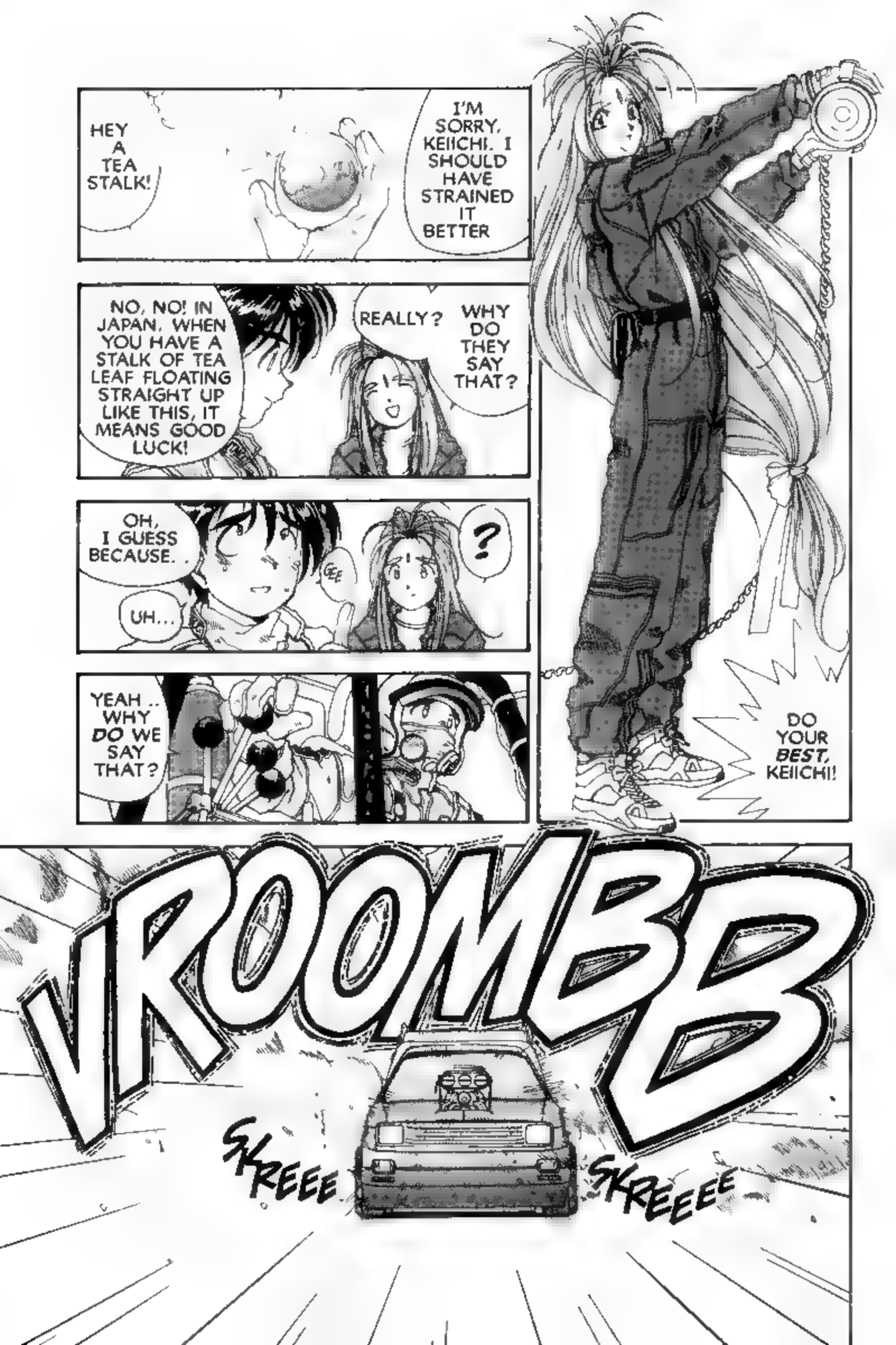
UH-HUH FIGURES.
MY BROTHER'S ALWAYS BEEN LIKE THAT.
AS FAR AS HE'S CONCERNED, GIRLS ARE JUST TOYS TO USE AND THROW AWAY.
HEY! WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?!
IT'S A LIE! I'VE NEVER DONE THAT!

KEIICHI'S TELLING THE TRUTH, MEGUMI!!
HE DOESN'T HAVE THE GUTS TO DO THAT!
AH? I MEAN, I MEAN...
MY KEIICHI. .
...ISN'T ENOUGH OF A MAN TO..
IT . IT'S TRUE!
KEIICHI ISN'T THAT KIND OF GUY!
WORSE AND WORSE
IT'S TRUE
I'M A WIMP
UM, LET'S SEE .. I MEANT, I MEAN...
NO YOU'RE NOT!
HUH?! WHAT'S GOING ON IN HERE?
KCHAK
AH!

WHAT ON EARTH, SORA...? WHY--
IT... IT'S N- NOTHING ..
EEK! THE PILOT LIGHT'S GONE OUT!
PSSH
OPEN THE WINDOW!
AIE!
WHAT ARE YOU GUYS BABBLING ABOUT?
CAN'T YOU SMELL THE GAS?!
HUH?!
THANK YOU SO MUCH.
IF YOU HADN'T OPENED THE DOOR JUST THEN, I MIGHT HAVE DIED, KEIICHI.
AW...
COME ON.
OH, NOO! UNBE- LIEVABLE!
THIS CANNOT BE HAPPEN- ING!

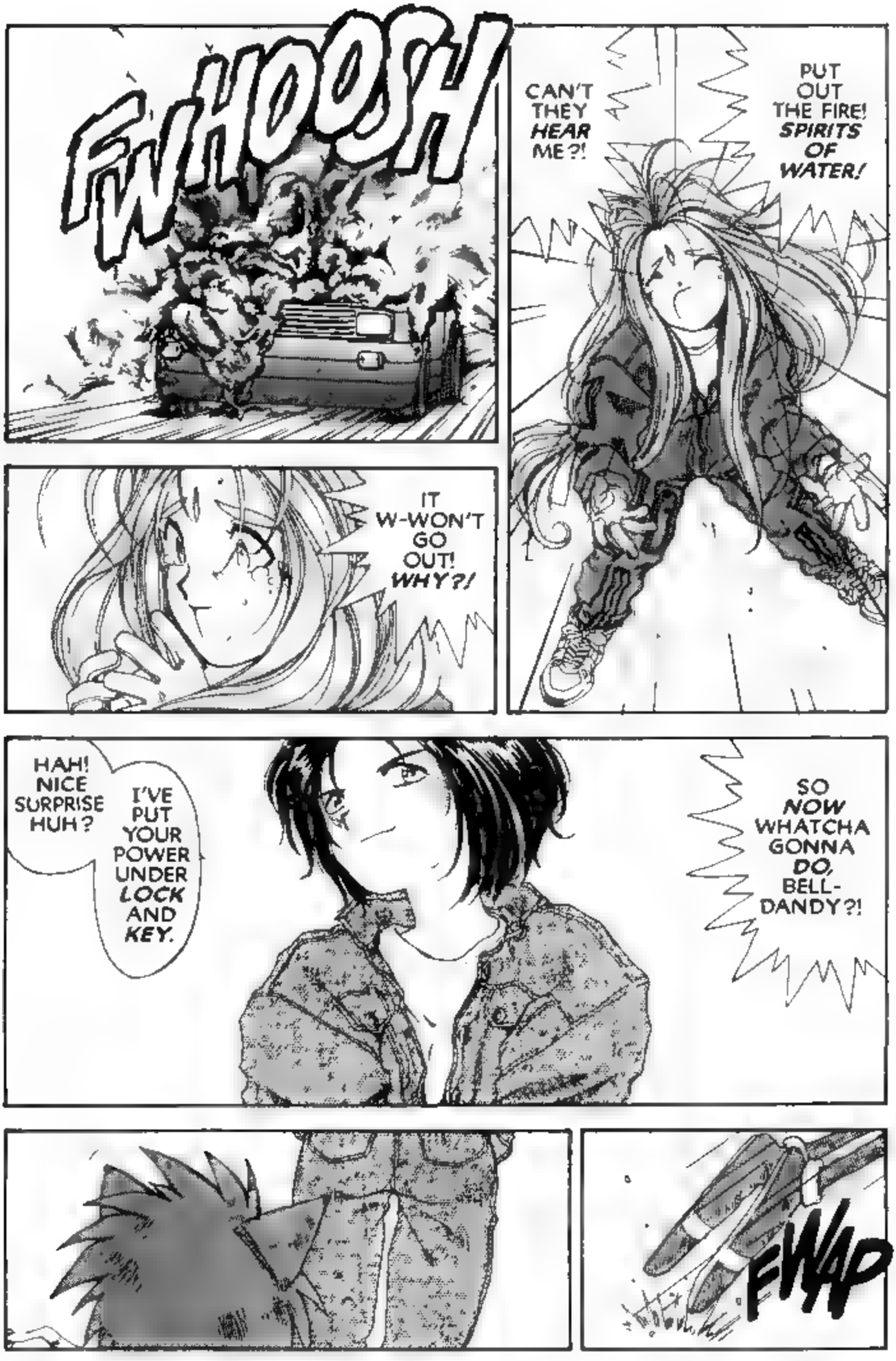
SENBEI'S HAPPINESS INDEX CLEARLY *RISING...*
...IT CAN ONLY MEAN HAPPINESS BEING *CREATED ANEW!*
HE'S... HE'S *RIGHT!*
THAT'S WHY KEIICHI'S DISASTERS ALWAYS TURN INTO GOOD FORTUNE!
AND THE SOURCE OF THAT NEW HAPPINESS? OF *COURSE...*
...THAT DAMN BELLDANDY!
I'VE GOT TO *SUPPRESS* HER *POWER!*
OOG
ACK
I... I'VE GOT TO *WARN* HER..

許可なき者の
立ち入りを禁ず
KEEP OUT
". . I'VE GOT TO WARN MISS BELL-DANDY!"
BY TEST, YOU MEANT *THIS?!*
VRMB
WHSSH
WHUD YA THINK, HUH? WHY ELSE WOULD WE CALL YUH?
VRMB
SO, UHM. . .
WHY DO YOUR QUARTER-MILE ENGINE TESTING IN A *TRUCK?* KINDA WEIRD, IF YOU ASK ME ..
YEAH! DAT'S DUH *REASON,* KIDDO!
BEING *NORMAL* FAST AIN'T INTERESTIN', GEDDIT?
OUR MOTOR CLUB DON'T DO *NOTHIN'* DAT AIN'T *INTERESTIN'!*
"EXPECT DUH UN-EXPECTED!" DAT'S OUR NEW MOTTO!


HEY A TEA STALK!
I'M SORRY, KEIICHI. I SHOULD HAVE STRAINED IT BETTER
NO, NO! IN JAPAN, WHEN YOU HAVE A STALK OF TEA LEAF FLOATING STRAIGHT UP LIKE THIS, IT MEANS GOOD LUCK!
REALLY? WHY DO THEY SAY THAT?
OH, I GUESS BECAUSE...
UH...
?
YEAH .. WHY *DO* WE SAY THAT?
DO YOUR *BEST*, KEIICHI!
VROOMB
SKREEE
SKREEEE

VROOOMB
SKREEEE
OKAY, SENBEI. DO IT.
I'M DAMPING BELLDANDY'S POWER, SO. .
ATTACK!!
GRP!
FRAP!
BLORT!
DAMN IT! WHAT THE...?!
GRP!
GRP!
CHAK
SLIP SLIP
OH, NO!

BOOM
OH MAN! HE BLEW THE CYLINDER HEAD!
WHY AIN'T DUM FIRE EXTIN-GUISHER WORK-ING?!
Calm Unpredictable Spirits of Energy! In the Name of Bob Kanady Engineering First Class.
Bow Thee to My Command!


FWHOOSH
CAN'T THEY HEAR ME?!
PUT OUT THE FIRE! SPIRITS OF WATER!
IT W-WON'T GO OUT! WHY?!
HAH! NICE SURPRISE HUH?
I'VE PUT YOUR POWER UNDER LOCK AND KEY.
SO NOW WHATCHA GONNA DO, BELL-DANDY?!
FWAP

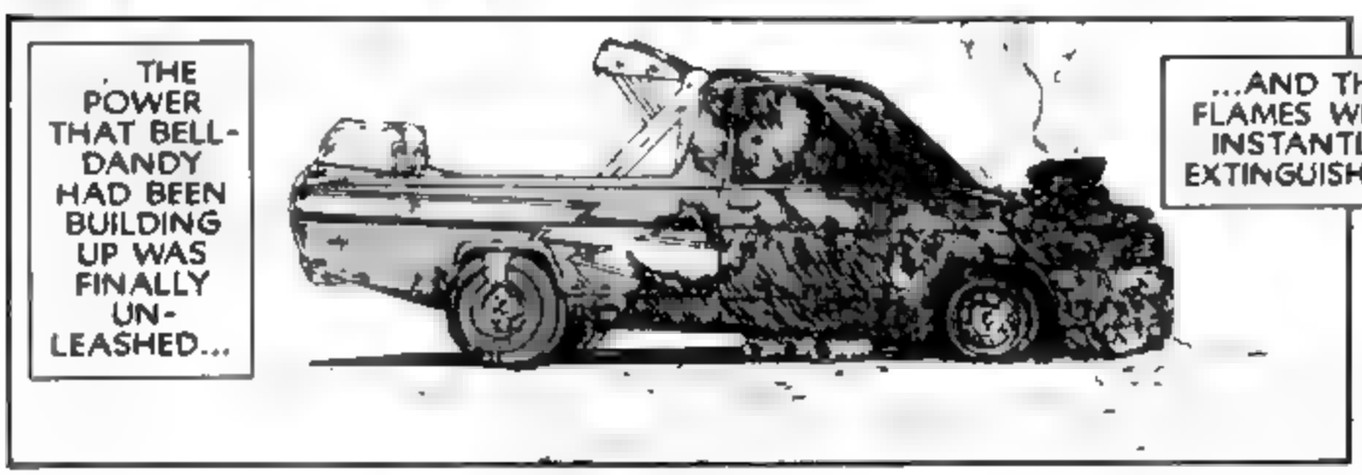
SUPER-
SONIC
ATTACK!
WHAM
UGH!
WHY
YOU...!
YOU
CRAZY
EARTH
SPIRIT!
I
WENT
THROUGH
A LOT
TO GET
HERE,
LADY!
RUN OVER
BY CARS, ×3
FALLING DOWN
STEPS, ×2
NEARLY TAKEN
HOME BY
CHILDREN ×22
BELL-
DANDY!

THERE'S A *DEMON* IN *MEGUMI!*
SHE'S POSSESSED BY *MARA!*
?
WHO ARE *YOU?*
IT'S *ME!* THE EARTH SPIRIT IN MEGUMI'S APARTMENT, REMEMBER?!
OH!
YOUR POWER'S BEEN SUPPRESSED BY *THAT* ONE! *HER!!*
AND IT'S ALL *HER* FAULT THAT I LOOK LIKE THIS, TOO!
BELL-DANDY!
IS THIS ANY TIME TO BE *PLAYING* WITH *DOLLS?!*
KEIICHI'S IN *DANGER!*
HEH... IT'S NOT LIKE SHE CAN ATTACK ME IN *THIS* BODY, EVEN IF SHE *BELIEVES* HIM..

SHE'S RIGHT! THERE'S NO TIME TO LOSE!
THP
IF IT REALLY IS MARA...
KCHAK
THEN THAT TEA KEIICHI WAS TALKING ABOUT...
ULP!
HERE... THE "LUCKY TEA STALK" KEIICHI TOLD ME ABOUT!
IF YOU'RE NOT MARA, THEN YOU CAN DRINK IT!
GO ON!
IF... IF I DRINK THAT, I... GACK! IT GIVES ME THE CREEPS!
ER. N- NO. ..

ST-
STOP!!
HRNGH!!
FWSHHH

YOU. .
YOU DID IT!
WITH MARA'S SPELL BROKEN..

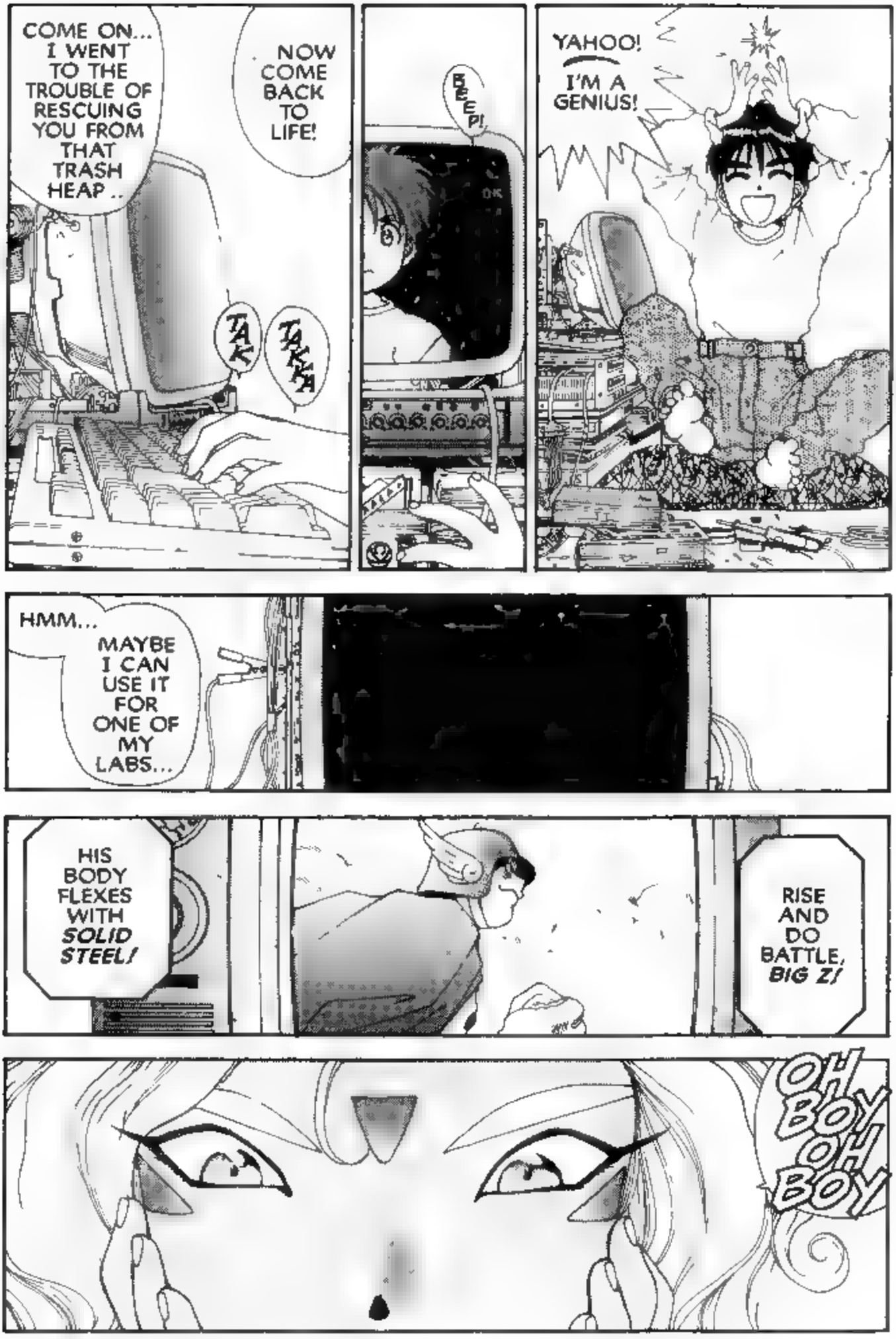

. THE POWER THAT BELL-DANDY HAD BEEN BUILDING UP WAS FINALLY UN-LEASHED...
...AND THE FLAMES WERE INSTANTLY EXTINGUISHED.

BUT THE RIPPLES FROM THAT POWERFUL BURST OF EXTINGUISHING ENERGY SPREAD THROUGHOUT THE CITY...
ARE YOU OKAY?
YOU USED YOUR POWER ON FULL FOR ME, DIDN'T YOU.
. AND, AMONG OTHER THINGS, PUT OUT THE GAS WATER HEATER IN SAYOKO'S HOUSE!
EEEK! IT'S FREEZING!
NOT THAT IT HAS ANYTHING TO DO WITH OUR STORY
K-KEIICHI! ARE YOU. .
YES, YES, I'M ALL RIGHT. DON'T GET UP YET ..
OH, KEIICHI..

I THOUGHT I THOUGHT YOU WERE GOING TO DIE!
WHOA!
AH?
UH?!
WHERE AM I?!
THE PARKING LOT BEHIND NEKOMI TECH?!
WHA-? HOW DID I GET HERE?!
OH-MIGOD! MAYBE. .
...I'M A SLEEP-WALKER?!
HUH?
WHAT'S THIS THING?

...
HMM
YOU'RE KINDA CUTE!
YOU USELESS, GOOD-FOR-NOTHING WORM!
OH NO!
THAT IS VERY RUDE THING TO SAY!
SENBEI IS PERFECTION ALWAYS!
YOU DON'T BELIEVE SENBEI, THEN HE SHALL PROVE IT!
ATTACK!
NO! NOT ON M--
AIEE!

Thank
You

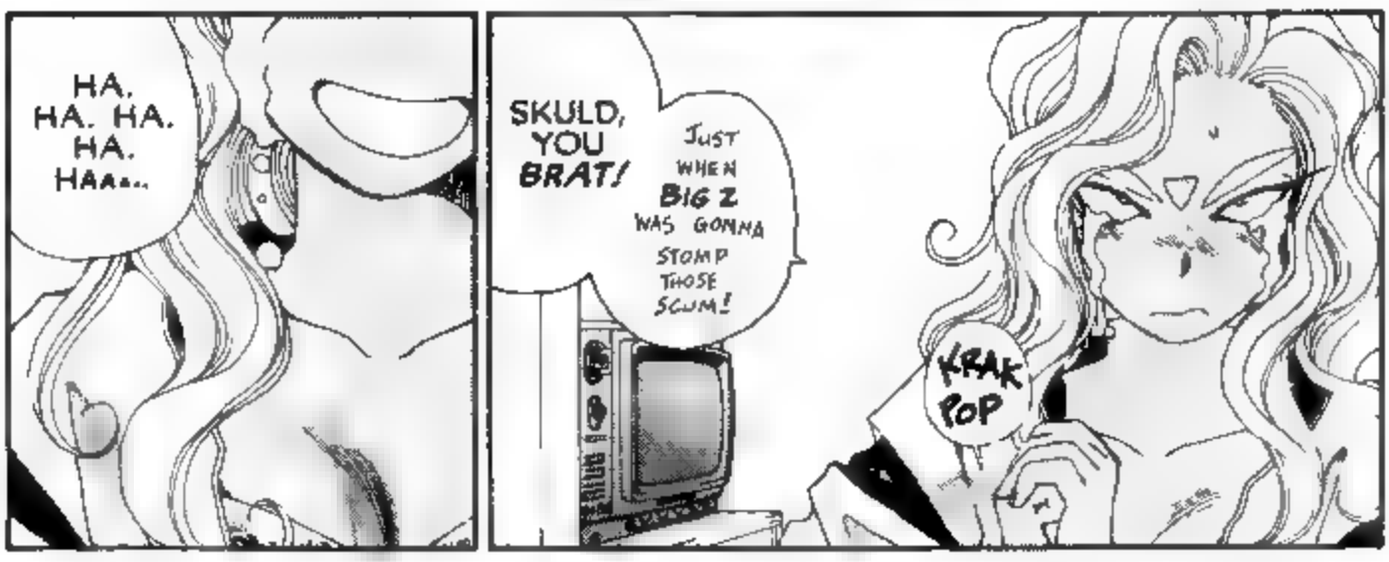

COME ON... I WENT TO THE TROUBLE OF RESCUING YOU FROM THAT TRASH HEAP..
NOW COME BACK TO LIFE!
TAK
TAKATA
BEEP!
OK
YAHOO!
I'M A GENIUS!
HMM...
MAYBE I CAN USE IT FOR ONE OF MY LABS...
HIS BODY FLEXES WITH SOLID STEEL!
RISE AND DO BATTLE, BIG Z!
OH BOY OH BOY!

OOH, IT TURNS ME ON!
JUST *THINK* OF HAVING ALL THAT POWER AT YOUR COMMAND!
ONWARD, *BIG Z!* FULL POWER FIVE!!
GEEZ, WHAT A RACKET.
MARA'S BACK, BUT JUST *LOOK* AT THEM!
IT'S LIKE THEY DON'T HAVE A CARE IN THE WORLD
SO I GUESS IT'S JUST ME, MYSELF, AND I PROTECTING US ALL FROM THIS CRISIS .
BELLDANDY .
KCHAK

...SKULD WILL PROTECT YOU, DEAR SISTER!
AAH... WITH MY LITTLE INVENTION AROUND, THAT NASTY GIRL MARA...
...WON'T EVEN BE ABLE TO TOUCH YOU!
BACK-UP POWER ON!
VOLTAGE NOMI-NAL!
INITIATE DATA TRANS-FER!
GYRO POWER ON!
RELEASE FINAL SAFETY!
CUT POWER TO THE REST OF THE HOUSE--
--AND ACTIVATE!

VREEE
KLAK KLAK KLAK KLAK
AIEEE!!

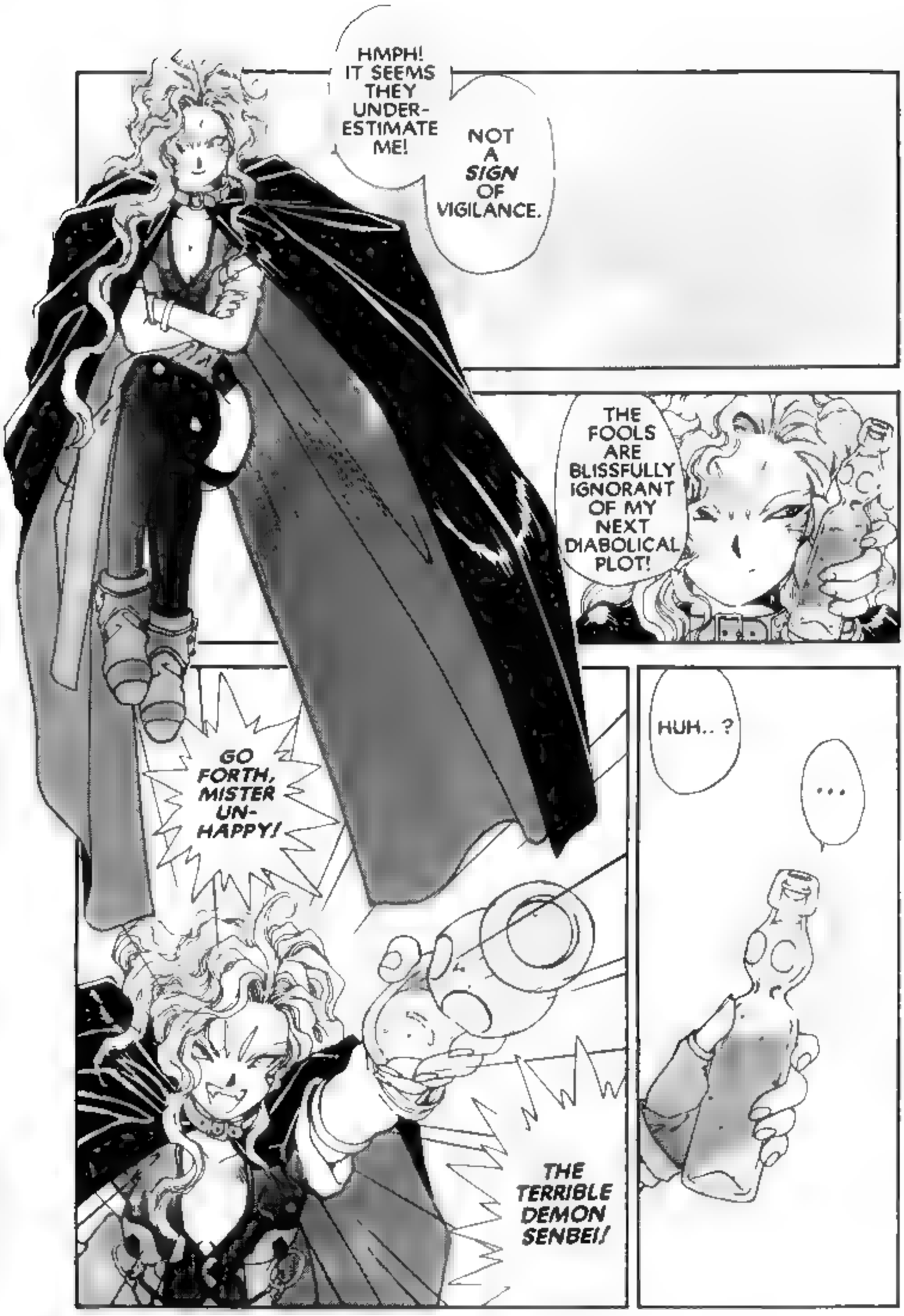
ALL
ALL MY LABORS. LOST!
EVERY-THING I TAUGHT IT.. ERASED!
IT... IT'S A BORN-AGAIN MORON..


HA. HA. HA. HA. HAAA...
SKULD, YOU BRAT!
JUST WHEN BIG Z WAS GONNA STOMP THOSE SCUM!
KRAK POP

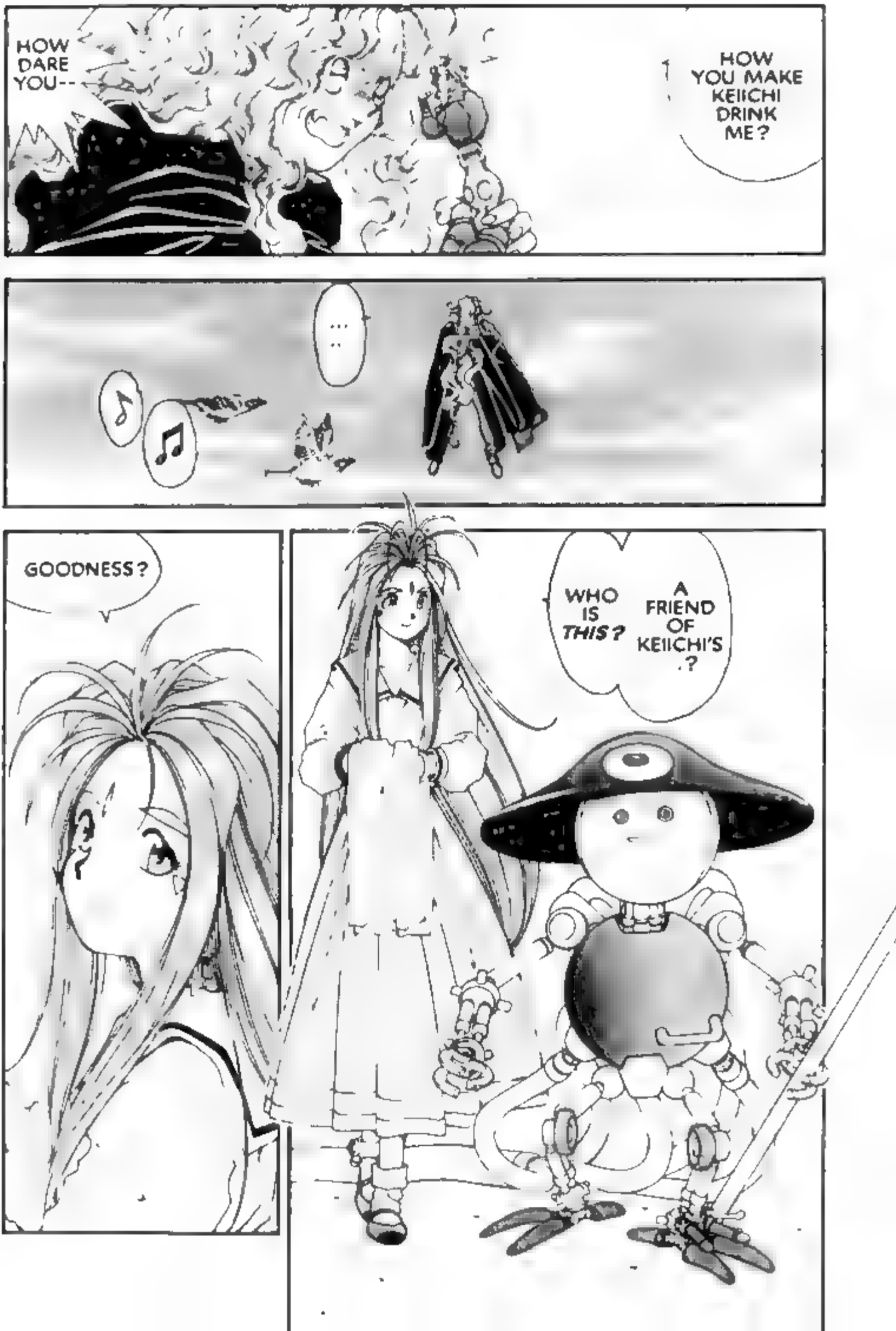
SKULD! WHAT ARE YOU DOING THIS TIME?!
ALL RIGHT, SKULD! YOU--
GREAT! PERFECT TIMING, YOU GUYS!
I JUST ACTIVATED HIM!
SO WHATCHA THINK? IT'S MY ANTI-MARA TACTICAL STRIKE ROBOT--
chik
veep
--MINI-BANPEI RX!!

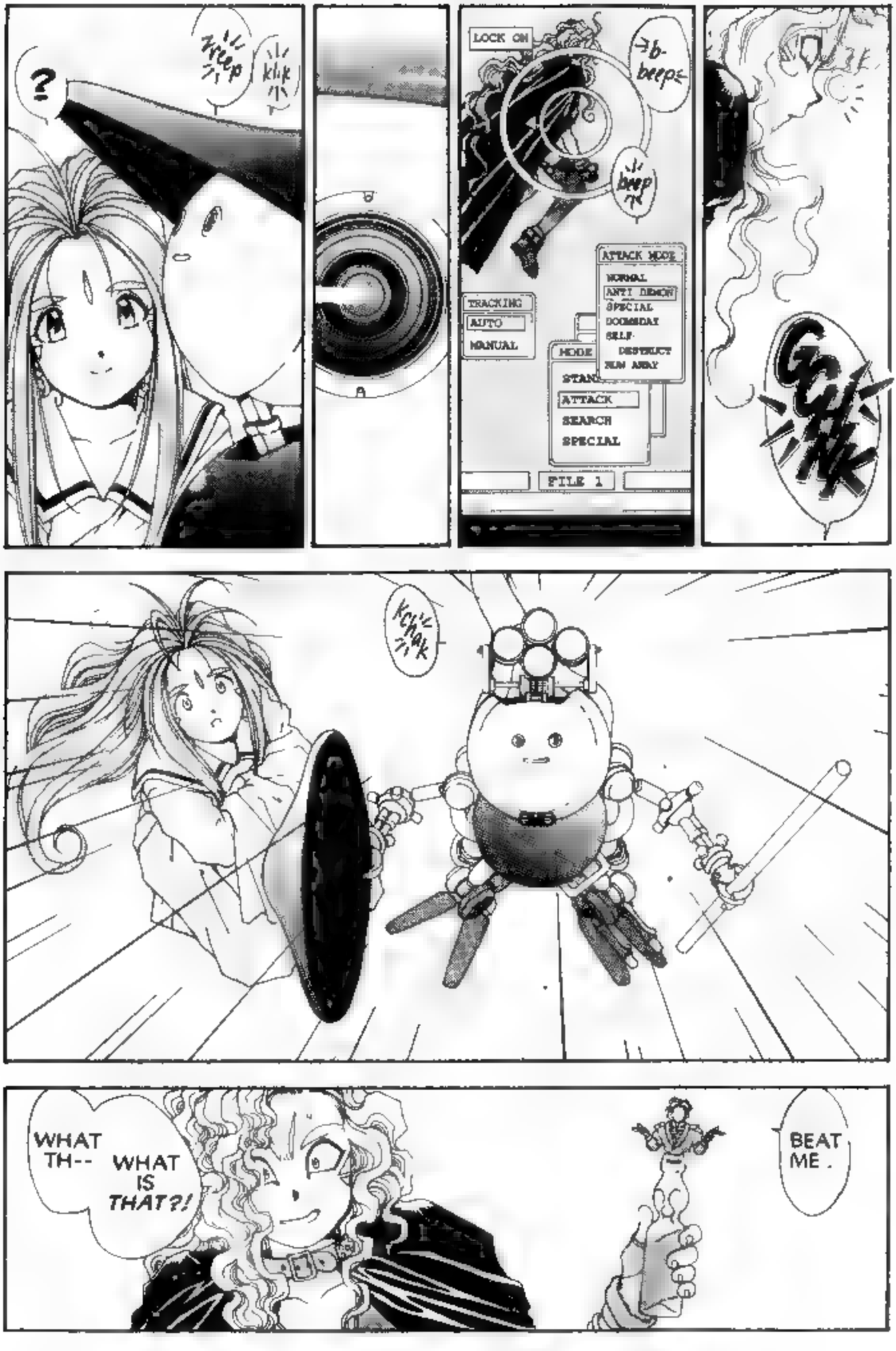
DON'T TELL ME YOU'VE MADE ANOTHER ONE OF YOUR STUPID, WORTHLESS INVENTIONS!
AARGH.. ALL MY PROGRAM-MING LOST, FOR THAT THING?
I MISSED SEEING BIG Z KICK ASS BECAUSE OF YOU!
sniff
"STUPID" ...?
"W WORTH-LESS" ..?!
=sniff=
=sob=
=WAAAH!=
B-BUT BANPEI'S AMAZING! HE'S WONDER-FUL!!
SHEESH. SHE'S CRYING AGAIN!
VRRR
freep
chik
=!=

OOPS
vreep
HEH...
HEH HEH!
EEK!!
I'M SORRY! I'M SORRY!
YOU'RE NOT WORTH-LESS! HONEST!
HUH ...?
vreep
vreep


HMPH! IT SEEMS THEY UNDER-ESTIMATE ME!
NOT A SIGN OF VIGILANCE.
THE FOOLS ARE BLISSFULLY IGNORANT OF MY NEXT DIABOLICAL PLOT!
GO FORTH, MISTER UN-HAPPY!
THE TERRIBLE DEMON SENBEI!
HUH.. ?
...

YOU'RE EM-BARRASSING ME, SENBEI!
DON'T YOU *DARE* RUIN MY TIMING!
OKAY, OKAY CALM DOWN, MARA
GO FORTH, SENBEI!
WHAT *ARE* YOU DOING IN THERE, YOU *BLOCK-HEAD?!*
SENBEI NOT BLOCK-HEAD, JUST NOT LIKE THIS PLAN.
YOU SAY TO PRETEND TO BE A SODA POPS...
THEN BE DRUNK BY THE KEIICHI, YES? MAKE HIM UNHAPPY WHERE THE GODDESSES NO CAN SEE ME?
SENBEI THINKS MISTRESS NEED TO THINK OF HE WHO IS GOING TO BE DRINKED!
AND, PLUS, SENBEI THINK THERE IS GREAT BIG HOLE IN MY MISTRESS' PLAN, YES HE DOES.


HOW DARE YOU--
HOW YOU MAKE KEIICHI DRINK ME?
...
GOODNESS?
WHO IS *THIS?*
A FRIEND OF KEIICHI'S .?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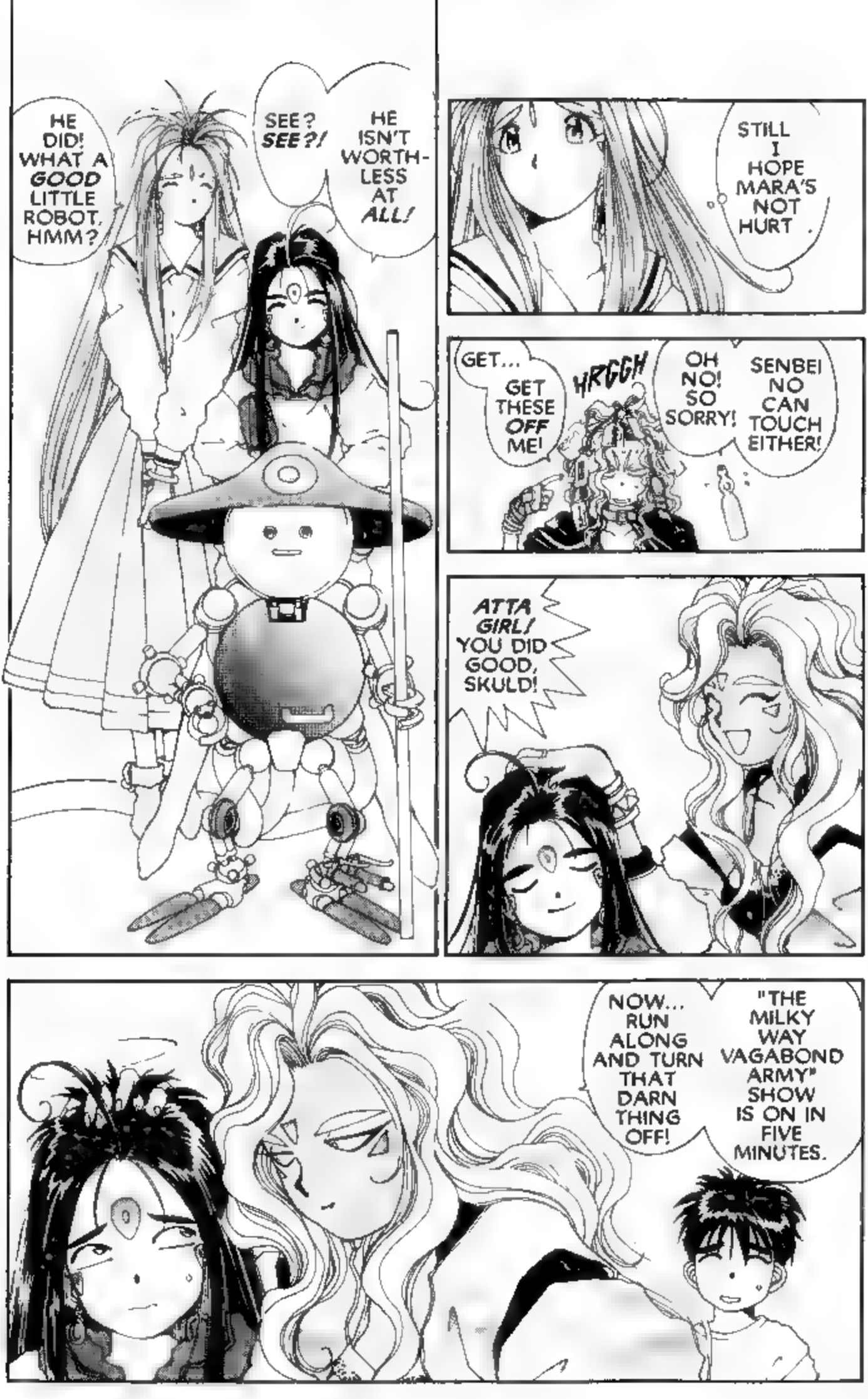
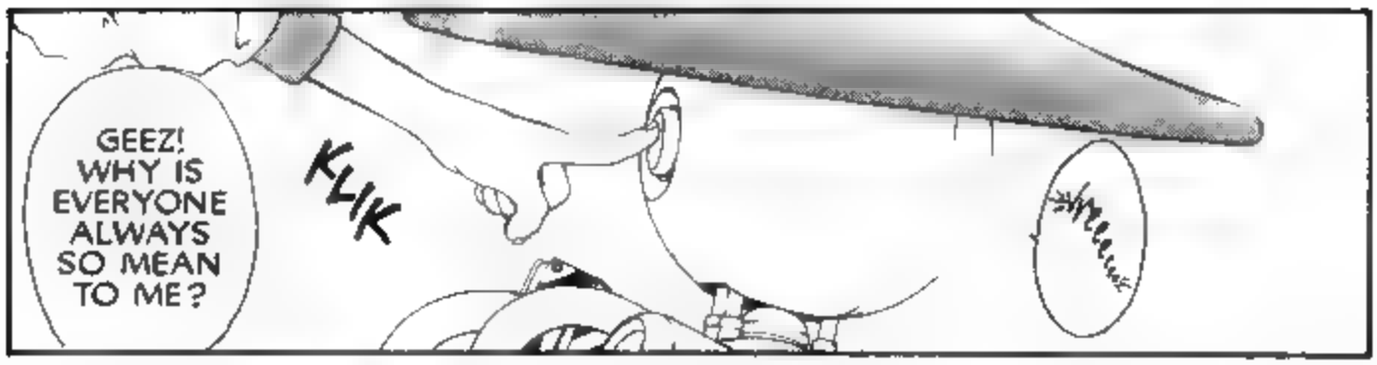
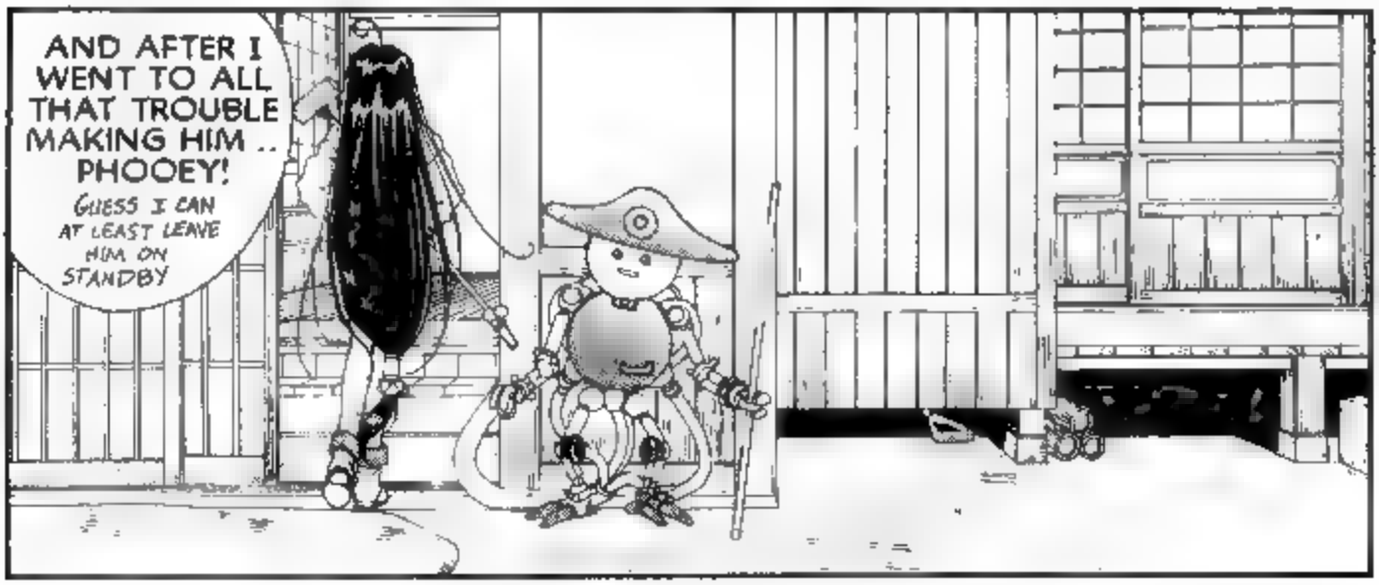
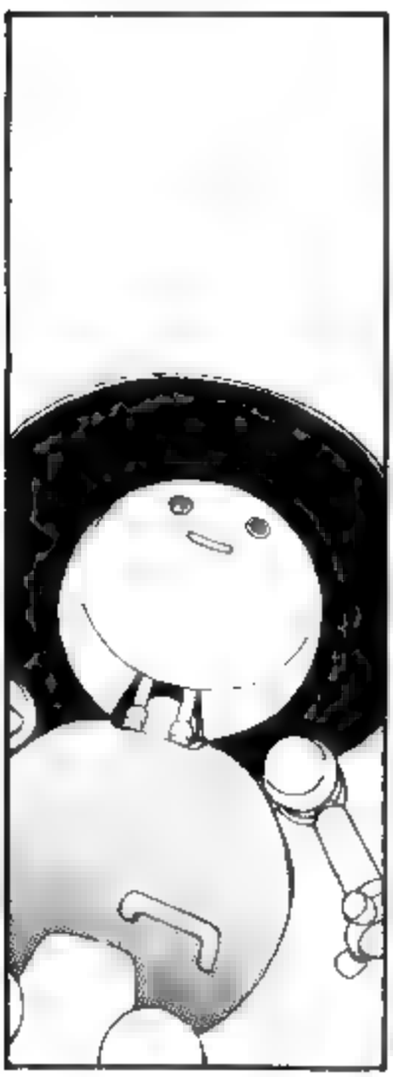
Zreep
klik
LOCK ON
→b-beeps←
beep
ATTACK MODE
NORMAL
ANTI DEMON
SPECIAL
DOOMSDAY
SELF-
DESTRUCT
RUN AWAY
TRACKING
AUTO
MANUAL
MODE
ATTACK
SEARCH
SPECIAL
FILE 1
GONK
Kchak
WHAT TH--
WHAT IS THAT?!
BEAT ME.

BOOF
BOOF
BOOF
GOOD LUCK CHARMS→
WHOOSH
AIEE!
EH?
THAT TIN CAN CHASED OFF MARA?

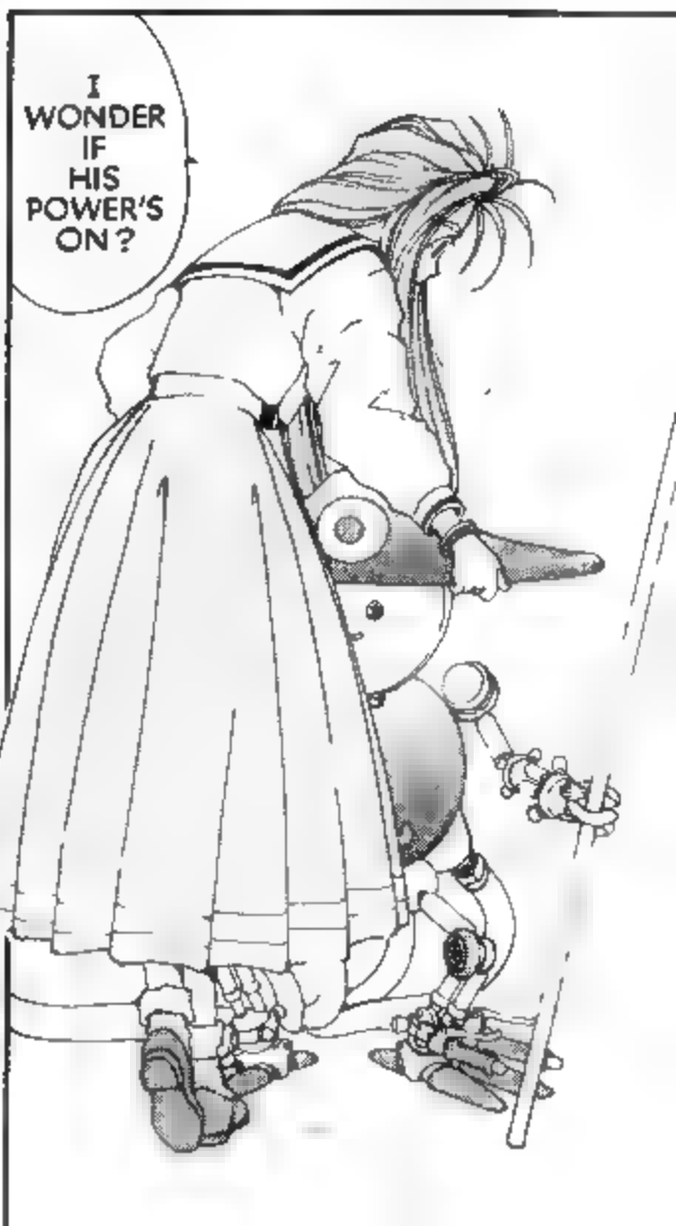

HE DID! WHAT A GOOD LITTLE ROBOT, HMM?
SEE? SEE?!
HE ISN'T WORTH-LESS AT ALL!
STILL I HOPE MARA'S NOT HURT.
GET... GET THESE OFF ME!
HRGGH
OH NO! SO SORRY!
SENBEI NO CAN TOUCH EITHER!
ATTA GIRL! YOU DID GOOD, SKULD!
NOW... RUN ALONG AND TURN THAT DARN THING OFF!
"THE MILKY WAY VAGABOND ARMY" SHOW IS ON IN FIVE MINUTES.

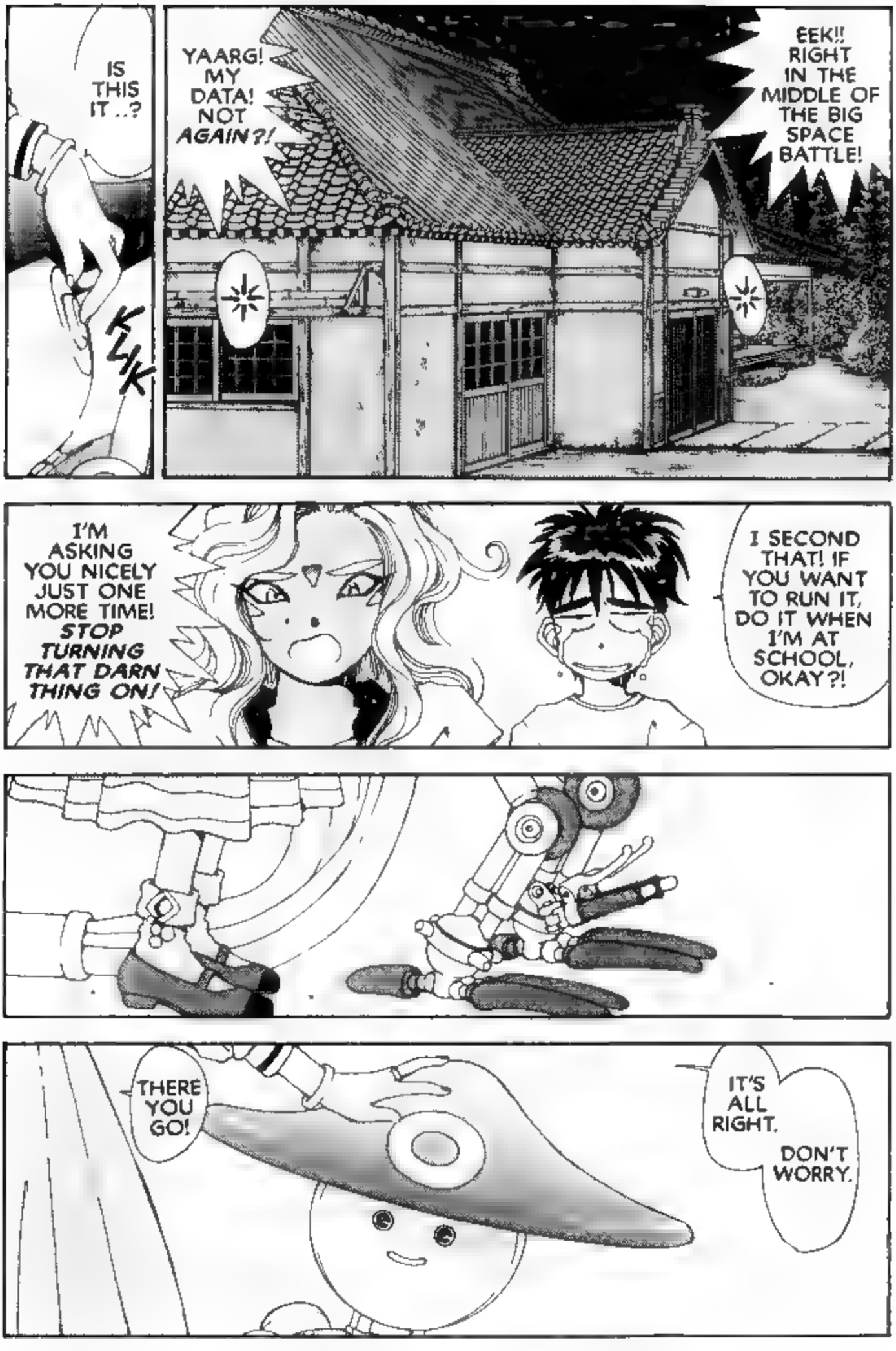

GEEZ! WHY IS EVERYONE ALWAYS SO MEAN TO ME?
KLIK
WHIRRRR

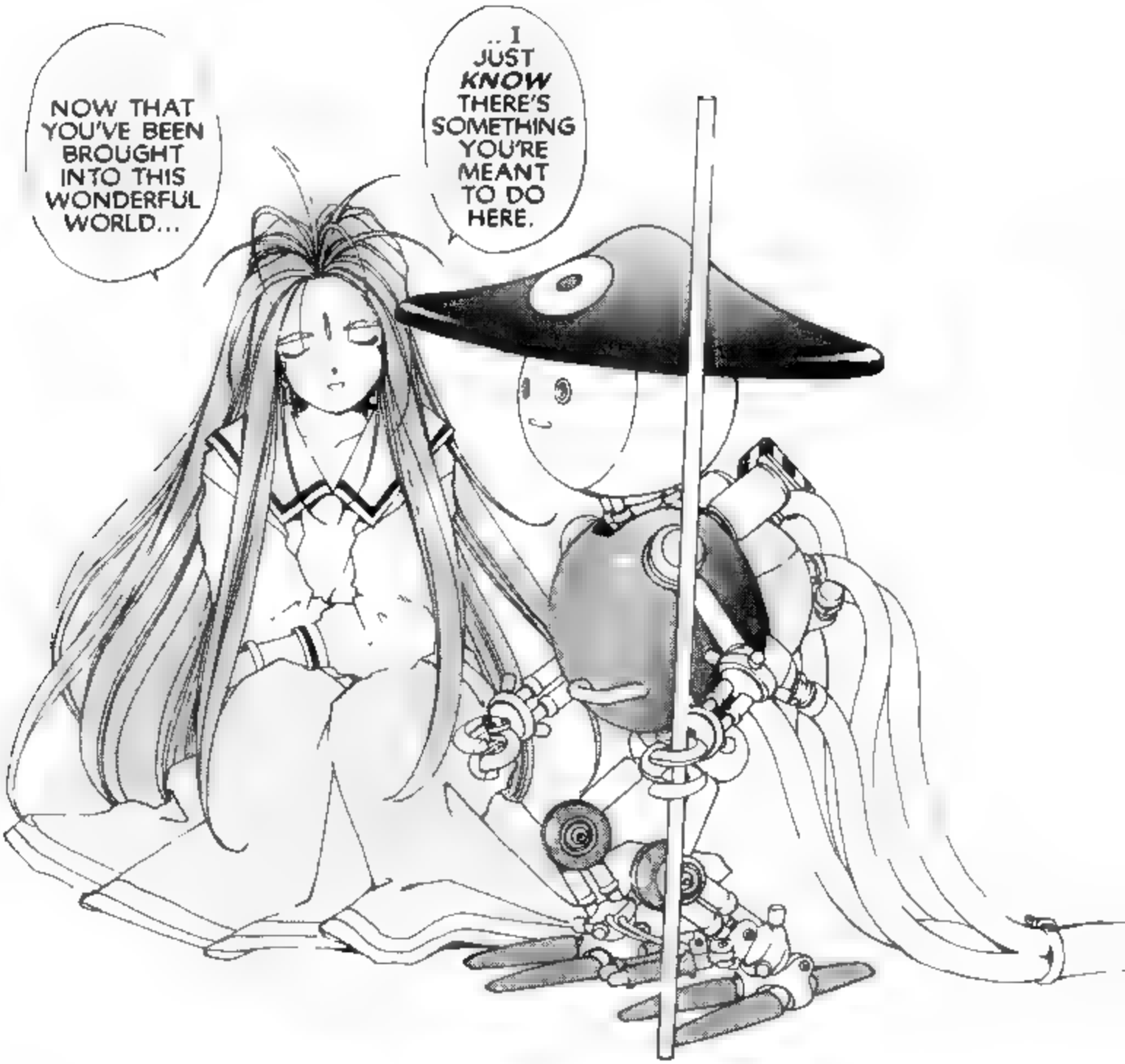

AND AFTER I WENT TO ALL THAT TROUBLE MAKING HIM .. PHOOEY!
GUESS I CAN AT LEAST LEAVE HIM ON STANDBY

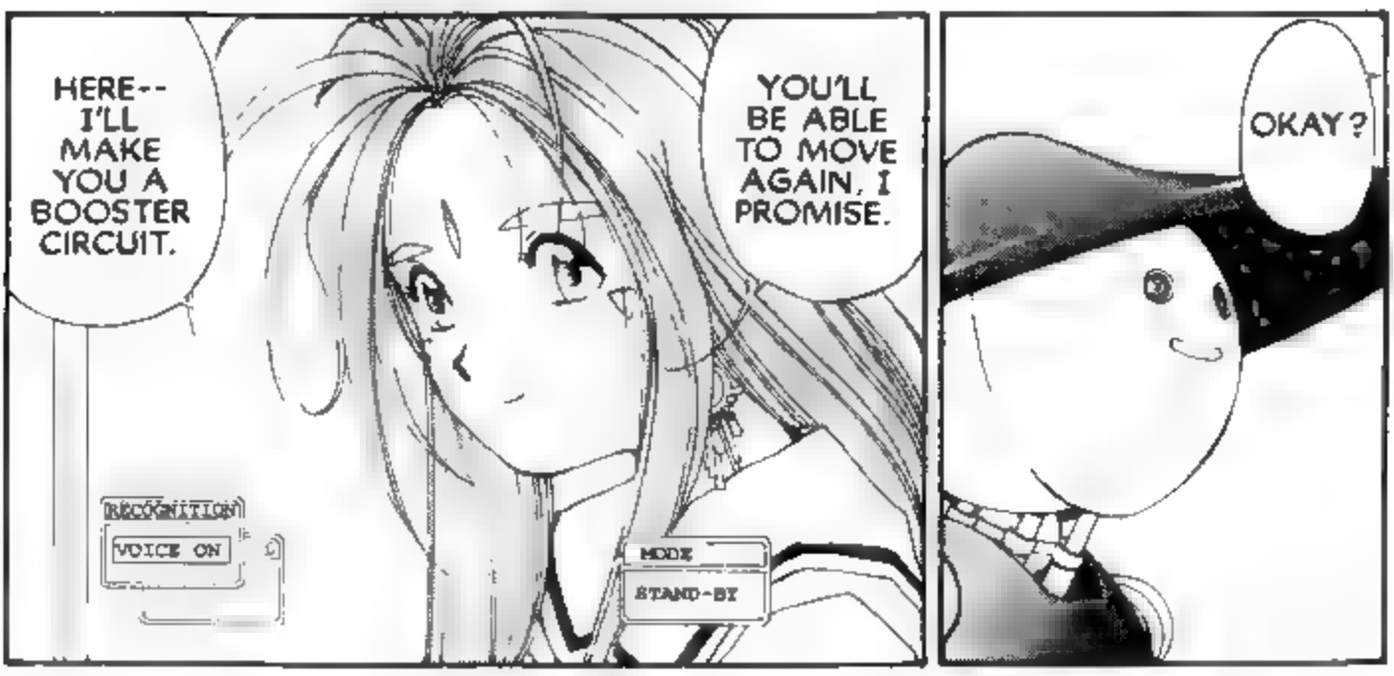


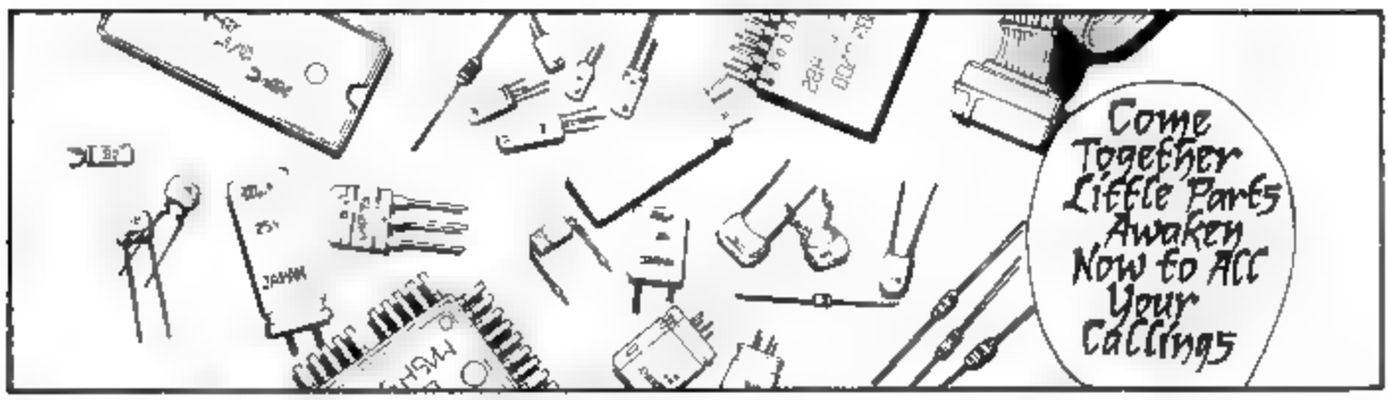
OH, MY.
HE STOPPED RUN-NING...?
MODE
STAND-BY
GYRO ON
BACK-UP MEMORY
FILE 1


I WONDER IF HIS POWER'S ON?

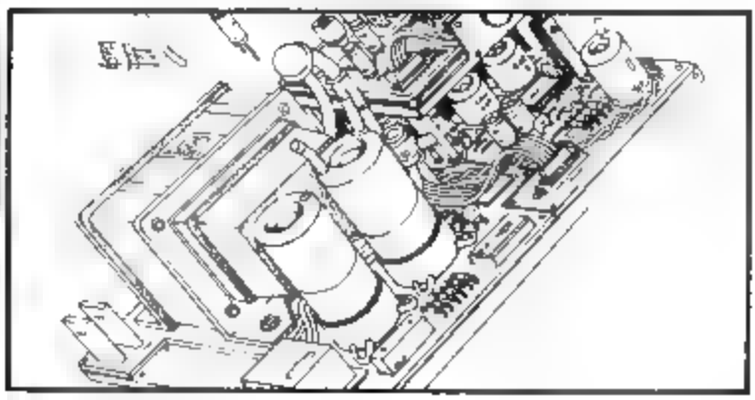

IS THIS IT ..?
KLIK
YAARG! MY DATA! NOT AGAIN?!
EEK!! RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE BIG SPACE BATTLE!
I'M ASKING YOU NICELY JUST ONE MORE TIME! STOP TURNING THAT DARN THING ON!
I SECOND THAT! IF YOU WANT TO RUN IT, DO IT WHEN I'M AT SCHOOL, OKAY?!
THERE YOU GO!
IT'S ALL RIGHT. DON'T WORRY.

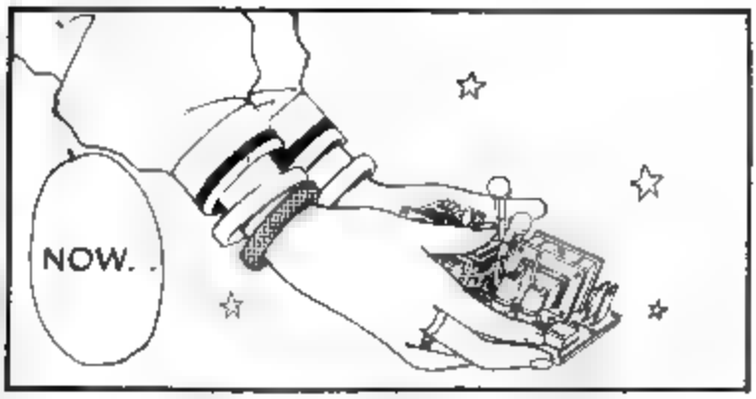

NOW THAT YOU'VE BEEN BROUGHT INTO THIS WONDERFUL WORLD...
...I JUST *KNOW* THERE'S SOMETHING YOU'RE MEANT TO DO HERE.

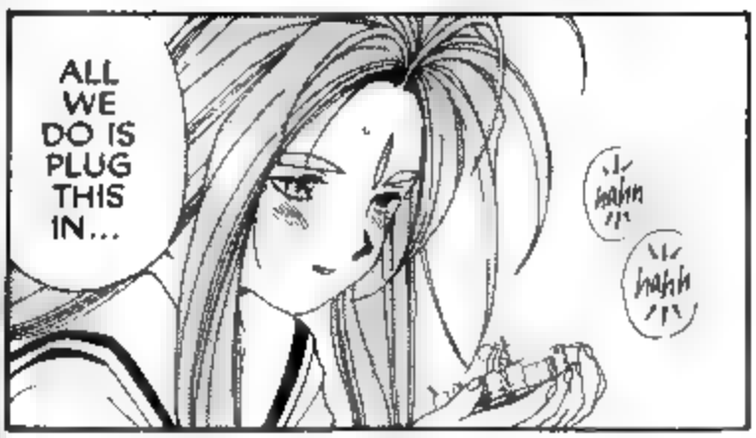

HERE-- I'LL MAKE YOU A BOOSTER CIRCUIT.
YOU'LL BE ABLE TO MOVE AGAIN, I PROMISE.
OKAY?
RECOGNITION
VOICE ON
MODE
STAND-BY

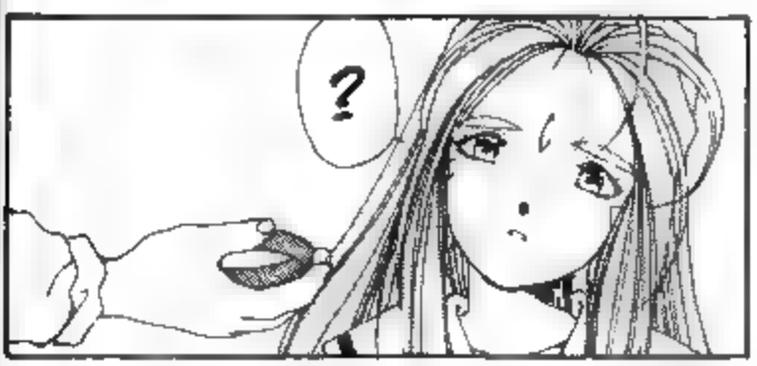

Come Together Little Parts Awaken Now to All Your Callings

Join Your Hands Become as One
Become the Power Unleashing Greater Power Still!




NOW.


ALL WE DO IS PLUG THIS IN...
snap
snap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I'M SORRY... I SHOULDN'T HAVE BEEN SO UNREA-SONABLE
I'LL HELP, TOO.
THANK YOU...!
ALL RIGHT! THAT OUGHT TO DO IT
Vreee
HE'S MOVING!
kchak
AND HE DIDN'T BLOW THE LIGHTS!

WE DID IT!
SMAK
kchik
vree
WHK-PAK
BEEP!
?
beep
beep
TRACKING
AUTO
MANUAL
ATTACK
NORMAL
ANTI DEMON
SPECIAL
DOOMSDAY
SELF-
DESTRUCT
MODE
kchik
vree
AIEE!
KSHANGG

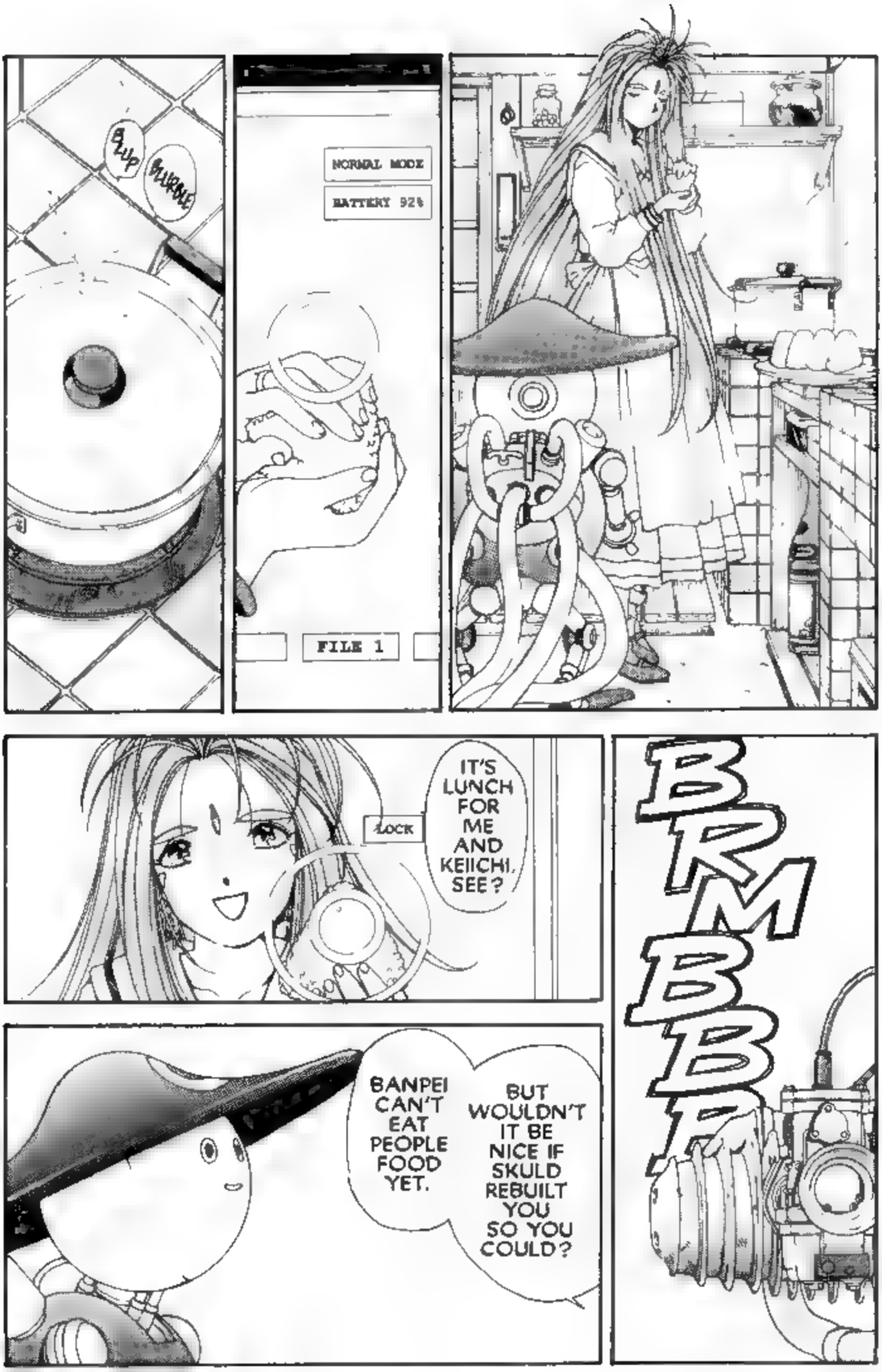
YOW!
GET BACK!
KRAK
WHOK
OUCH!
kahhh
Vrrrp
klik
PHEWW... THANK GOD HE'S GOT A POWER CORD!
WELL, IT SURE DIDN'T LOOK LIKE HE WAS TRYING TO BE FRIENDS.
THAT IS *SO* TOTALLY WEIRD! HE SHOULDN'T BE ATTACKING PEOPLE... HMM.

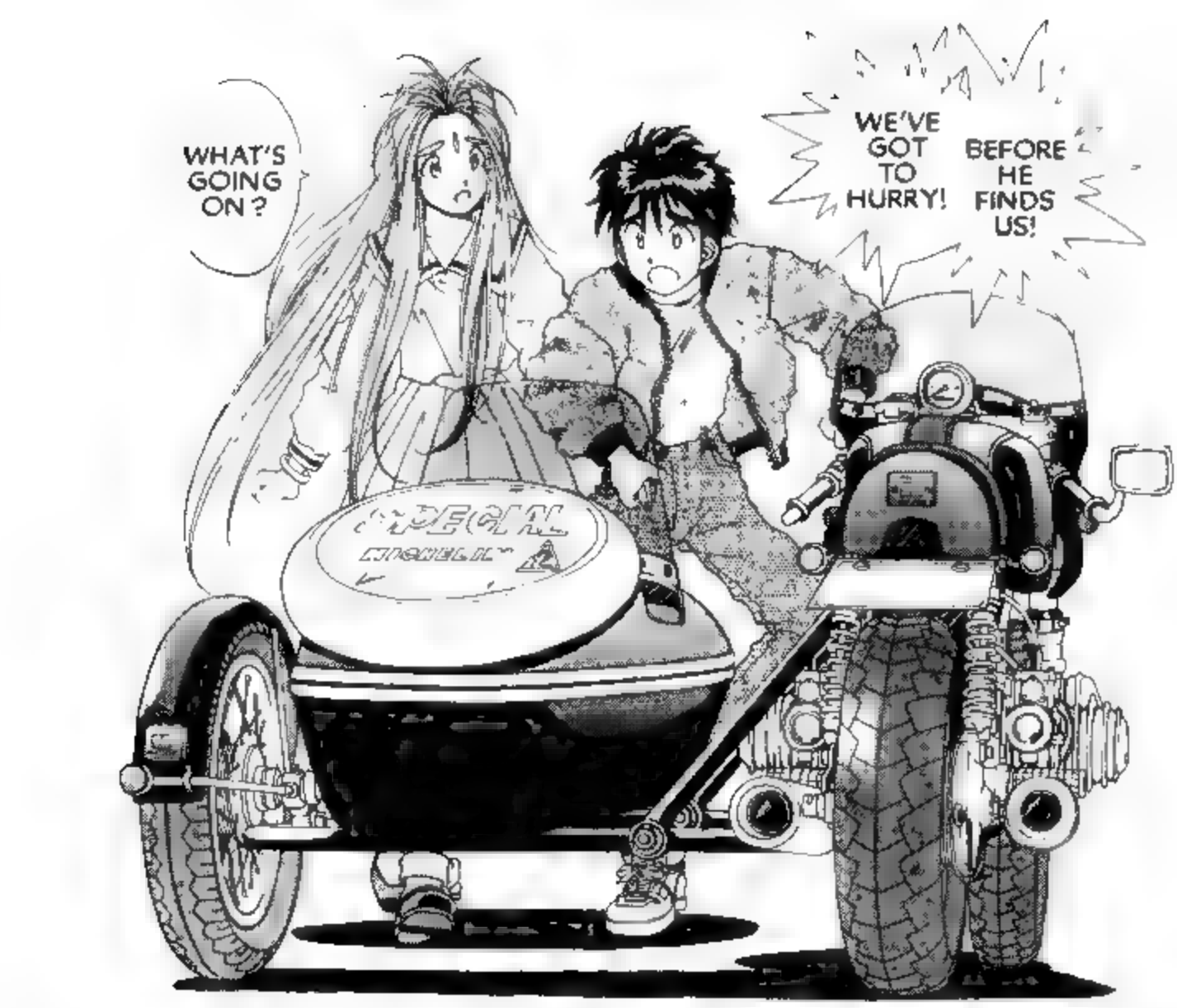
HEY?!
HIS PROGRAMMING'S BEEN REWRITTEN! NOW IT SAYS...
"PROTECT BELLDANDY FROM *ANYONE* WHO APPROACHES HER" .!
MARA! IT HAS TO BE *MARA!*
NOPE!
JUDGING FROM THE LOG, IT LOOKS LIKE HE USED THAT BOOSTER CIRCUIT BELLDANDY MADE FOR HIM...
...AND REPROGRAMMED *HIMSELF!*
SO... WHY'D HE DO THAT?
GOOD QUESTION.
OH, FOR PETE'S SAKE! ENOUGH FOOLING AROUND!
JUST SWITCH OFF THE DARN POWER!

KCHAK!
WHIP
uh-oh
BEEP
BEEP
BEEP
TRACKING
AUTO
MANUAL
MODE
ATTACK
SEARCH
DEFENSE
ATTACK MODE
NORMAL
ANTI-DEMON
SPECIAL
DOOMSDAY
SELF-
DESTRUCT
EEK!
WHAM
KRAK
NOT AGAIN! WATCH OUT, URD!
HE'S RIGHT! BANPEI'S TARGETING YOU!
OH, MY!

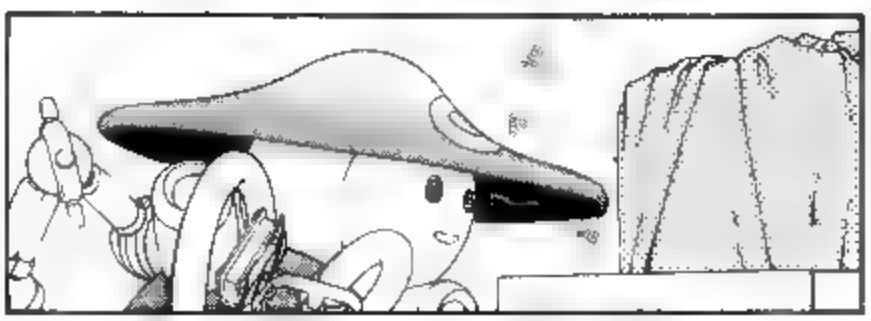
YOU MADE TEA FOR ME...?
THANK YOU!
"THANK YOU!"
"THANK YOU!"
VIDEO MODE
REPLAY
"THANK YOU!"
SO .. WHAT DO YOU THINK?
I... I'M NOT..
.SURE.
LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT!

THAT'S WHAT I WAS AFRAID YOU'D SAY.
SORRY, BUT NO DOUBT LOOK AT HIS EYES!
SKULD... BELLDANDY'S SORT OF SPECIAL, YOU KNOW? THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT HER THAT DRAWS ANYONE-- OR *ANYTHING*-- IN.
?
AN EMOTION CIRCUIT...? IT'S NOT IN MY DESIGN ..
OH, HI!
WHY DON'T YOU ALL COME AND JOIN US HERE?
HUH? OH NO! WE'RE SAFE-- I MEAN, OKAY OUT HERE!
SHE CAN ALSO BE ESPECIALLY CLUE-LESS..
THE NEXT DAY


GLUP
BUBBLE
NORMAL MODE
BATTERY 92%
FILE 1
LOCK
IT'S LUNCH FOR ME AND KEIICHI, SEE?
BRMBBB
BANPEI CAN'T EAT PEOPLE FOOD YET.
BUT WOULDN'T IT BE NICE IF SKULD REBUILT YOU SO YOU COULD?


WHAT'S GOING ON?
WE'VE GOT TO HURRY!
BEFORE HE FINDS US!

BRMBB



"THANK YOU!"
VIDEO MODE
REPLAY

KSHANGGKSHANGG
VREEE!!
POP
POP
TRANSFORM
SENSORS
OPTICAL
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SEARCH
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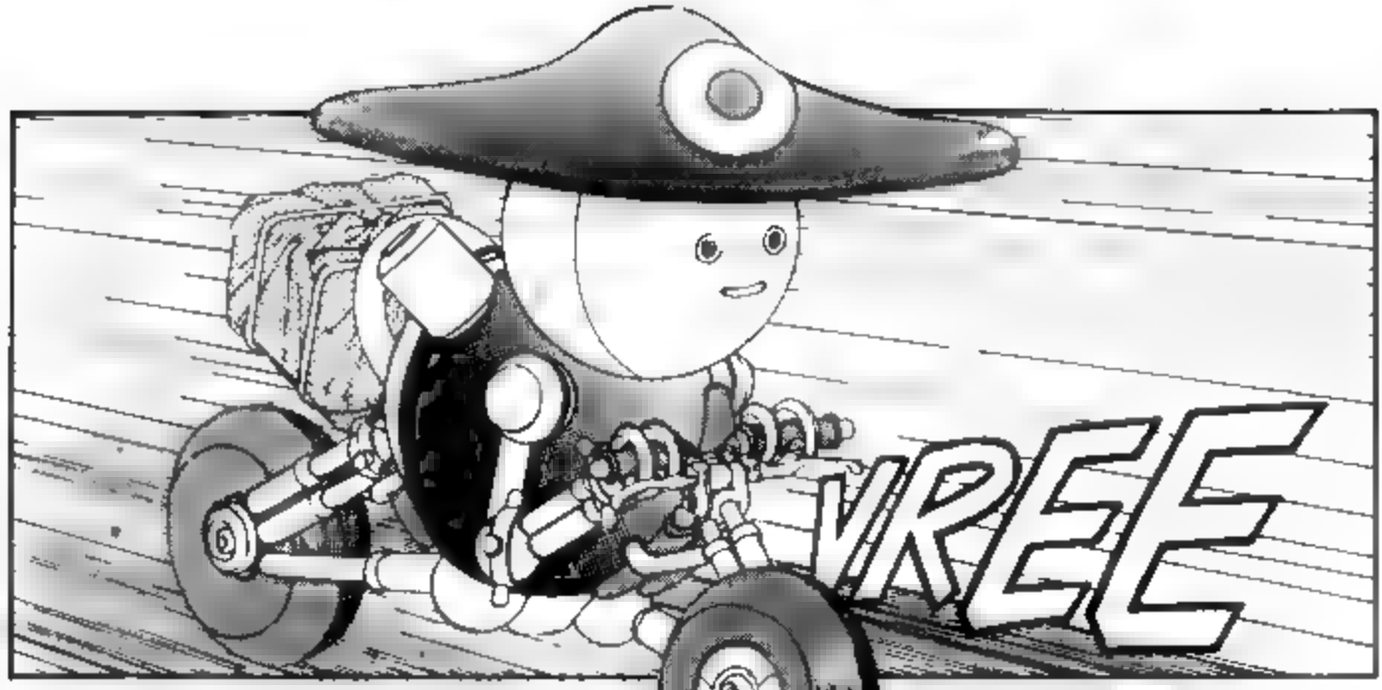
KCHAK
KCHAK
CHNK
WUICHAK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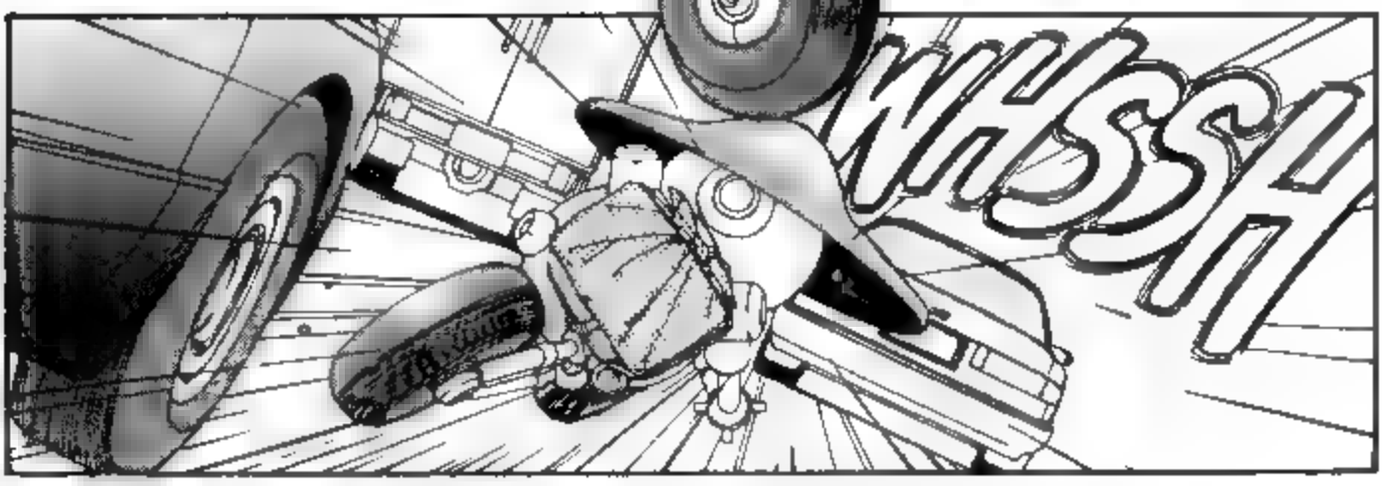
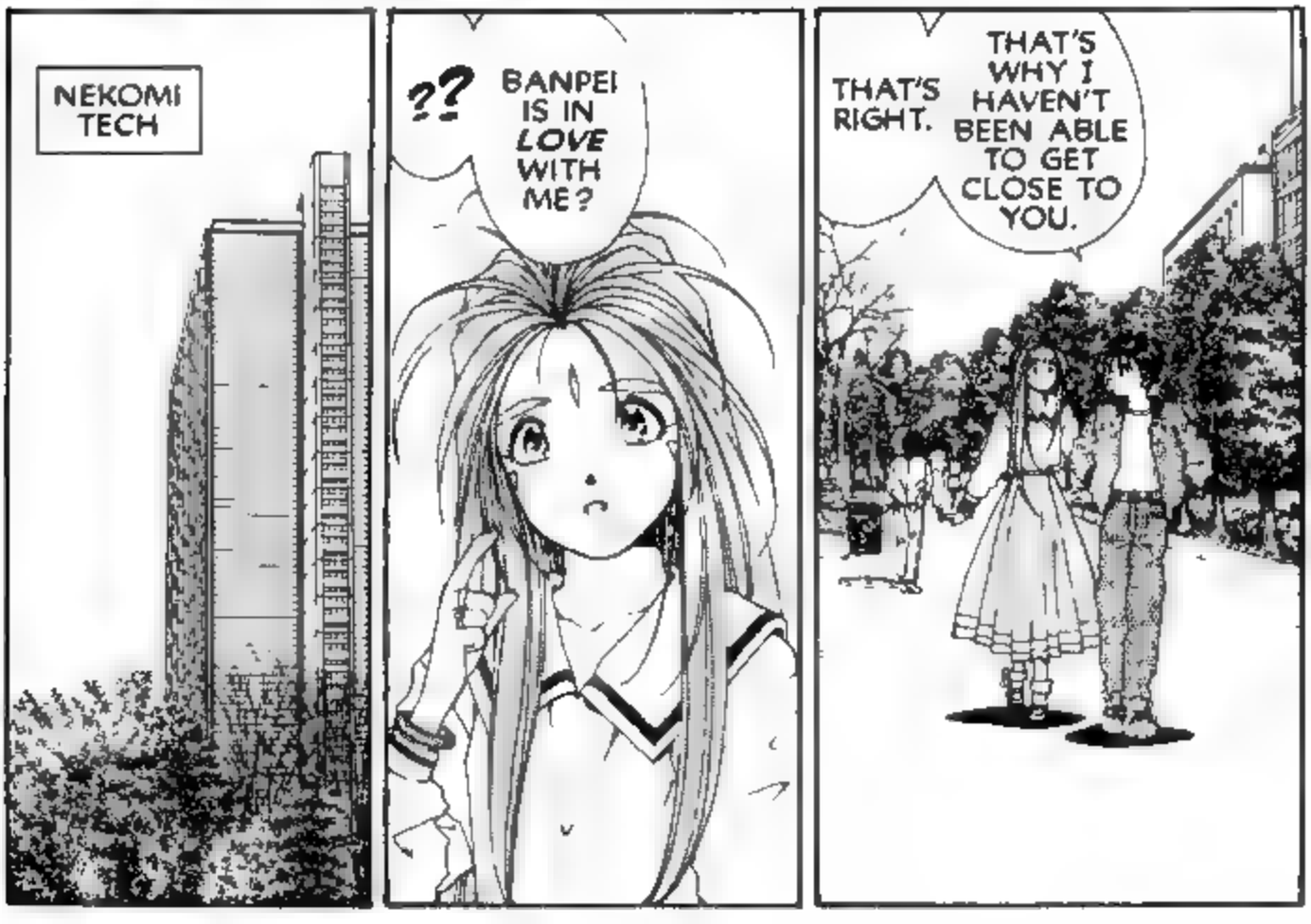
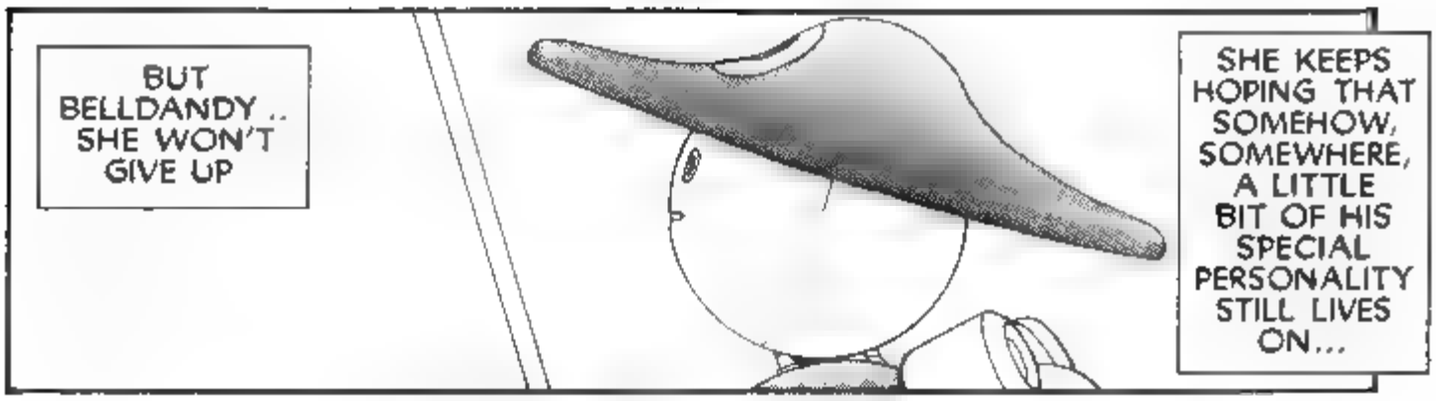
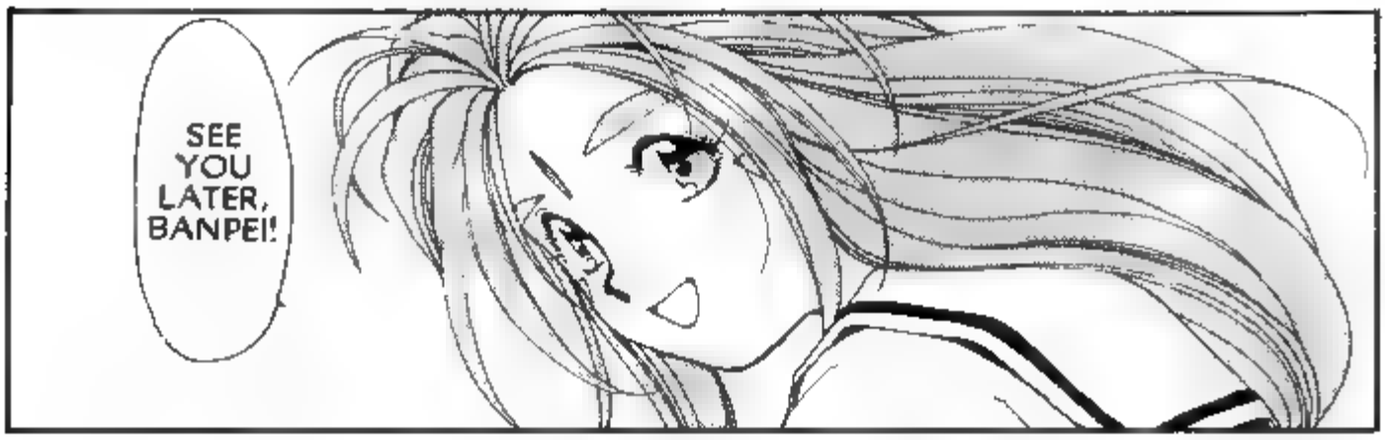

WHSSH

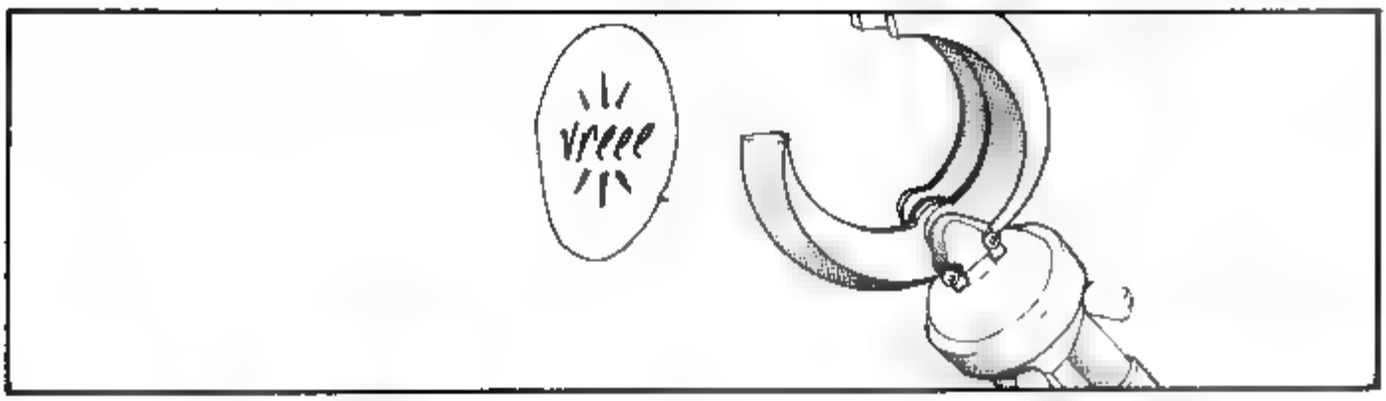

NEKOMI TECH
?? BANPEI IS IN LOVE WITH ME?
THAT'S RIGHT. THAT'S WHY I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO GET CLOSE TO YOU.

AT LEAST HE STILL NEEDS A POWER CORD.
SO THERE'S NO WAY HE CAN FOLLOW US.
AH, WELL...
...IT'S NOT LIKE HE MEANS BADLY, IT'S JUST--
=vreep=
YAIEE!
breep
breep
BANPEI, DEAR? ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
WARNING!
BATTERY CHARGE
0 15
breep
breep
BANPEI?!
FWMP

IMPORTANT
LUNCH
FORGOT
THING I MUST DO
BANPEI!!
=breep=
=breep=
=breep=
WE TRIED TO RETRIEVE LITTLE BANPEI'S MEMORY...
...BUT IT WAS ALREADY TOO LATE. HIS SELF-PROGRAMMING WAS WIPED CLEAN. .


BUT BELLDANDY .. SHE WON'T GIVE UP
SHE KEEPS HOPING THAT SOMEHOW, SOMEWHERE, A LITTLE BIT OF HIS SPECIAL PERSONALITY STILL LIVES ON...


SEE YOU LATER, BANPEI!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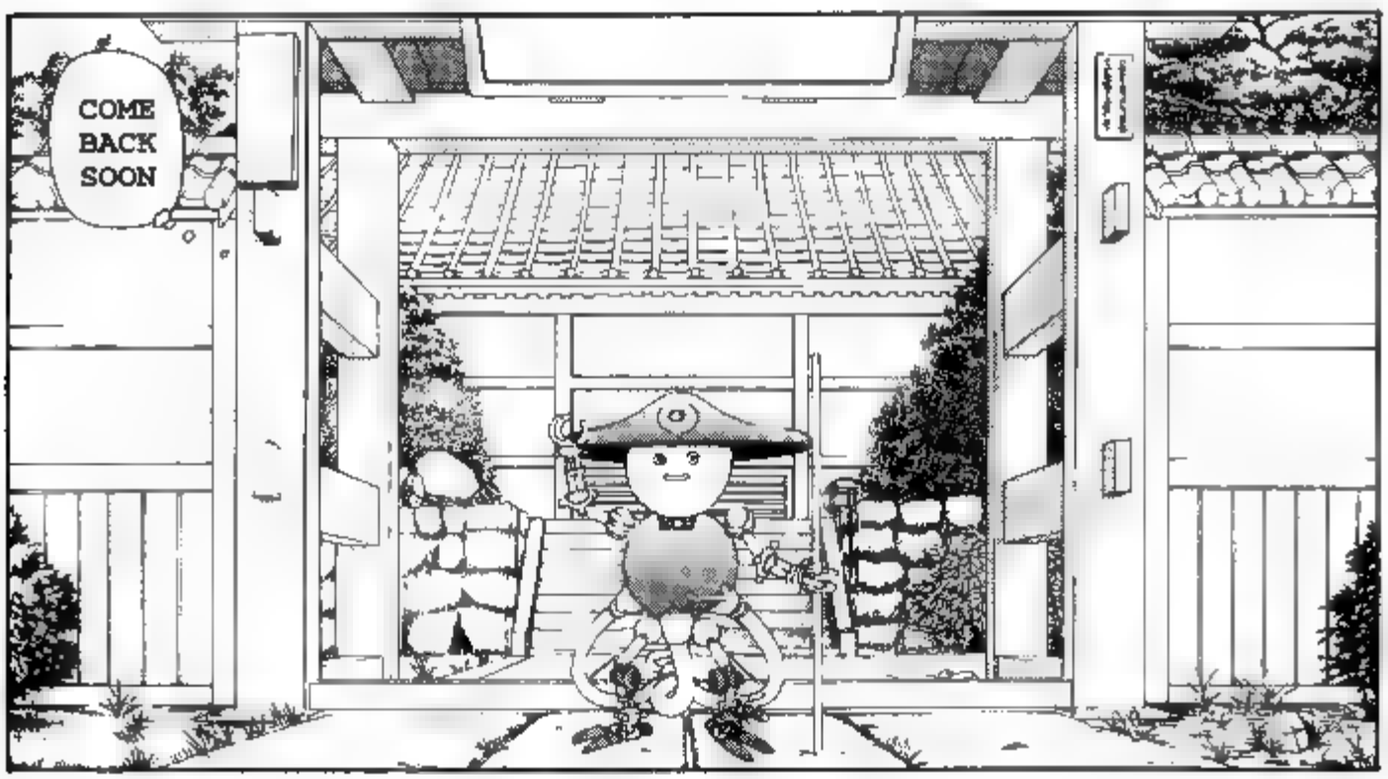

COME BACK SOON

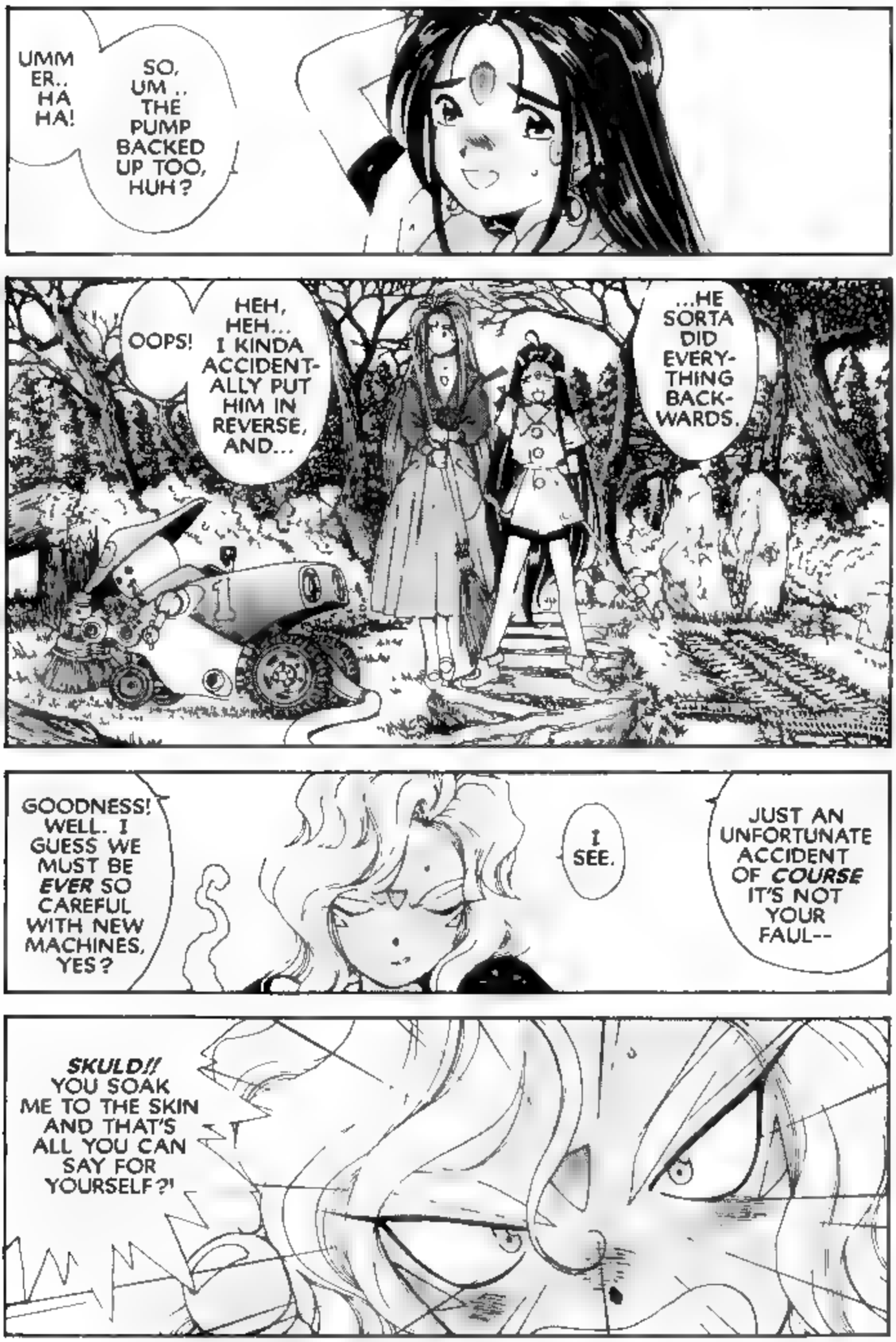
Good-bye and Hello

KCHAK
FILTER, LOCKED!
SMAK
GOOD HEAVENS, SKULD-- YOU MADE SOME-THING NEW?
CHECK IT OUT, BELL-DANDY!
MY SUPER-DELUXE BANPEI ATTACHMENT SET--THE "LABORS OF LOVE MARK ONE"...!
1

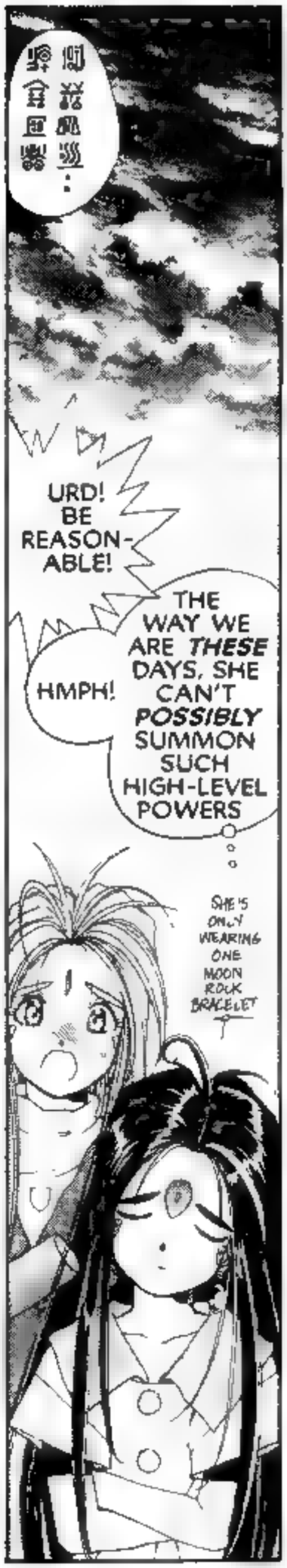
AND NOW I HIT THE SWITCH!
BANPEI RX, GO!
VREEEEE
MY LATEST LOVE POTION...
...IS JUST A LITTLE BIT DIFFERENT, EH?
MMM... SMELLS PERFECT ...!

VREEEEEE
SOUNDS LIKE SKULD IS MAKING SOME CRAZY CONTRAPTION AGAIN
OH, WELL. AT LEAST THIS TIME MY FAVORITE PROGRAM ISN'T ON
BLURB
?
WH-WHAT THE HELL?!
BLUBBLE
!!
EEK!
KBOOSH

WHUDD
THAT ONE HUNDRED-MEGATON MECHA-GIRL HEADACHE!
WHAT THE HECK ...?
IS IT SKULD AGAIN--?!
?!
WHO ELSE?!
SKULD!!
YOU SCREWED UP AGAIN, DIDN'T YOU?! THE WELL PUMP IS RUNNING BACKWARDS!!
URD YOU RE GETTING WATER ALL OVER THE FLOOR

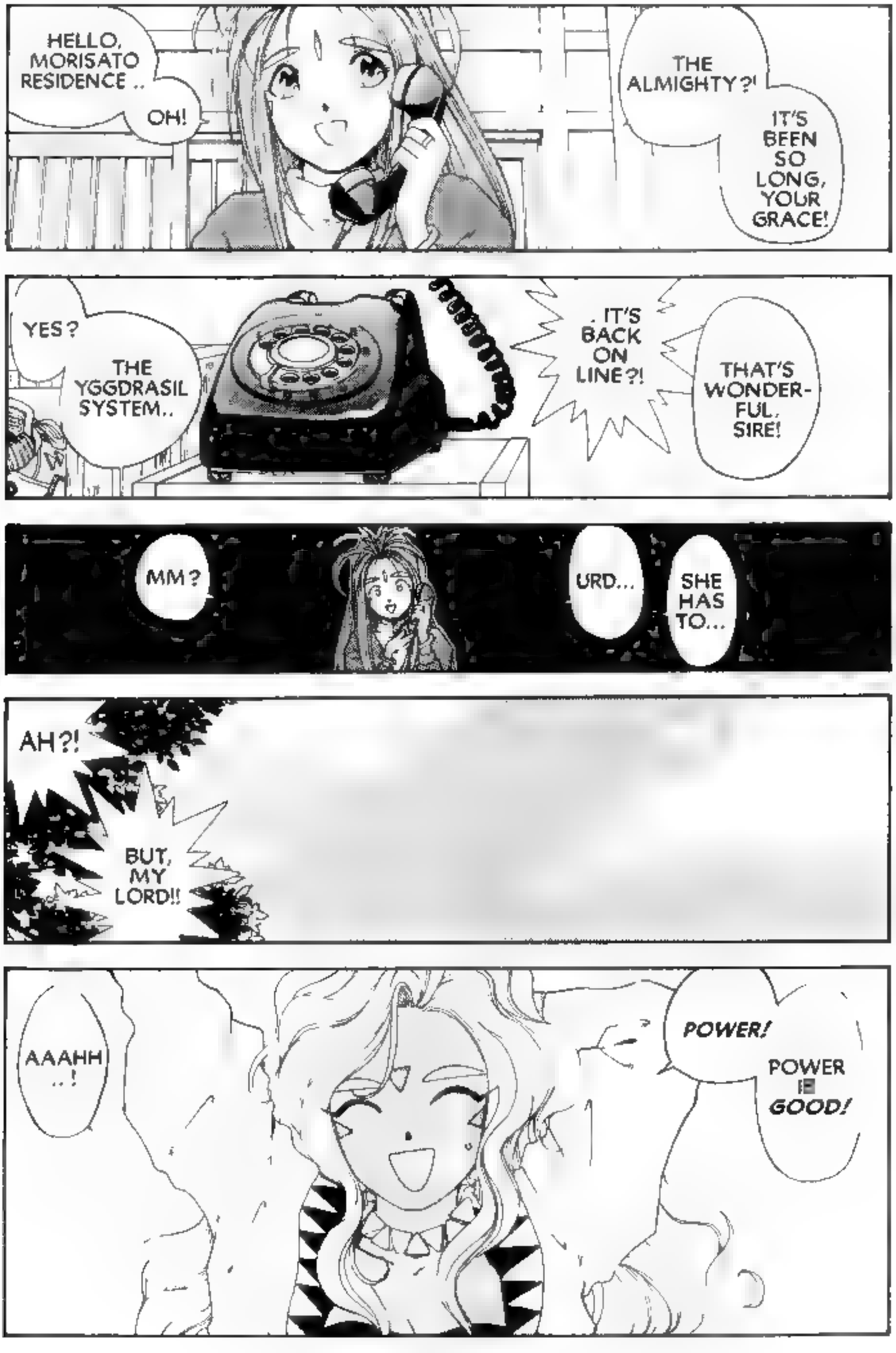

UMM ER.. HA HA!
SO, UM .. THE PUMP BACKED UP TOO, HUH?
OOPS!
HEH, HEH... I KINDA ACCIDENT-ALLY PUT HIM IN REVERSE, AND...
...HE SORTA DID EVERY-THING BACK-WARDS.
GOODNESS! WELL. I GUESS WE MUST BE *EVER* SO CAREFUL WITH NEW MACHINES, YES?
I SEE.
JUST AN UNFORTUNATE ACCIDENT OF *COURSE* IT'S NOT YOUR FAUL--
SKULD!! YOU SOAK ME TO THE SKIN AND THAT'S ALL YOU CAN SAY FOR YOURSELF?!

When Urd Knows Anger,
Let Heaven Rage!
Where Her Anger Strikes,
Strike the Thunderbolt,
Yea, As to Split the Mighty Oak!


URD! BE REASON-ABLE!
HMPH!
THE WAY WE ARE *THESE* DAYS, SHE CAN'T *POSSIBLY* SUMMON SUCH HIGH-LEVEL POWERS
SHE'S ONLY WEARING ONE MOON ROCK BRACELET

STRIKE, LIGHTNING! URD COMMANDS THEE!
KRAK
FSSSSHHHHH
vree
kchik

HUH ?
IT'S... BACK?
AAH.
NYA HA HA HA!
I DID IT! MY POWER'S BACK!
YAHOO !!
KRAK
KRAK
KRAK
TAKE THAT!!
COMING, COMING!
BRINNGG
I'M SO HAPPY FOR YOU, MY DEAR URD...
WHKOOM
YEEEK!
BRRINNGG


HELLO, MORISATO RESIDENCE ..
OH!
THE ALMIGHTY?!
IT'S BEEN SO LONG, YOUR GRACE!
YES?
THE YGGDRASIL SYSTEM..
. IT'S BACK ON LINE?!
THAT'S WONDER-FUL, SIRE!
MM?
URD...
SHE HAS TO...
AH?!
BUT, MY LORD!!
AAAHH ..!
POWER!
POWER IS GOOD!

I FINALLY WORKED OFF SOME STRESS !
GEE, YOU GUYS... WHAT'S UP?
WHY THE LONG FACES?
URD.. LISTEN TO ME ..
WHA--?
"URD MUST RETURN IN SIX HOURS!"

THE ALMIGHTY CALLED EXACTLY AT NOON, SO THERE'S ONLY FIVE HOURS, THIRTY MINUTES TO GO.
HA HA
..HA HA HA HA...
...
HEH HEH HEH!
SHE FELL!
THAT'S LIFE
OH, DEAR!
WHAMM
WHAT A SCREAM!
I'VE BEEN THROUGH A LOT OF GRIEF BECAUSE OF THAT BROAD.
THIS COULDN'T HAPPEN TO A NICER PERSON!

TAKE THAT, URD!!
IT WAS WORTH SNEAKING IN HERE LIKE A LITTLE TROLL!!
NYA HA HA HA HA!
BONGG BONGG
ISN'T THERE ANYTHING WE CAN DO? THERE'S ONLY FOUR HOURS LEFT...
SKULD! HOW CAN YOU BE SO RELAXED AT A TIME LIKE THIS?
WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO? FREAK OUT? I MEAN, IT'S NOT LIKE I'LL NEVER SEE HER AGAIN, RIGHT?
AND IF WE DO SOMETHING STUPID NOW, WE COULD ALL GET OUR LICENSES REVOKED.

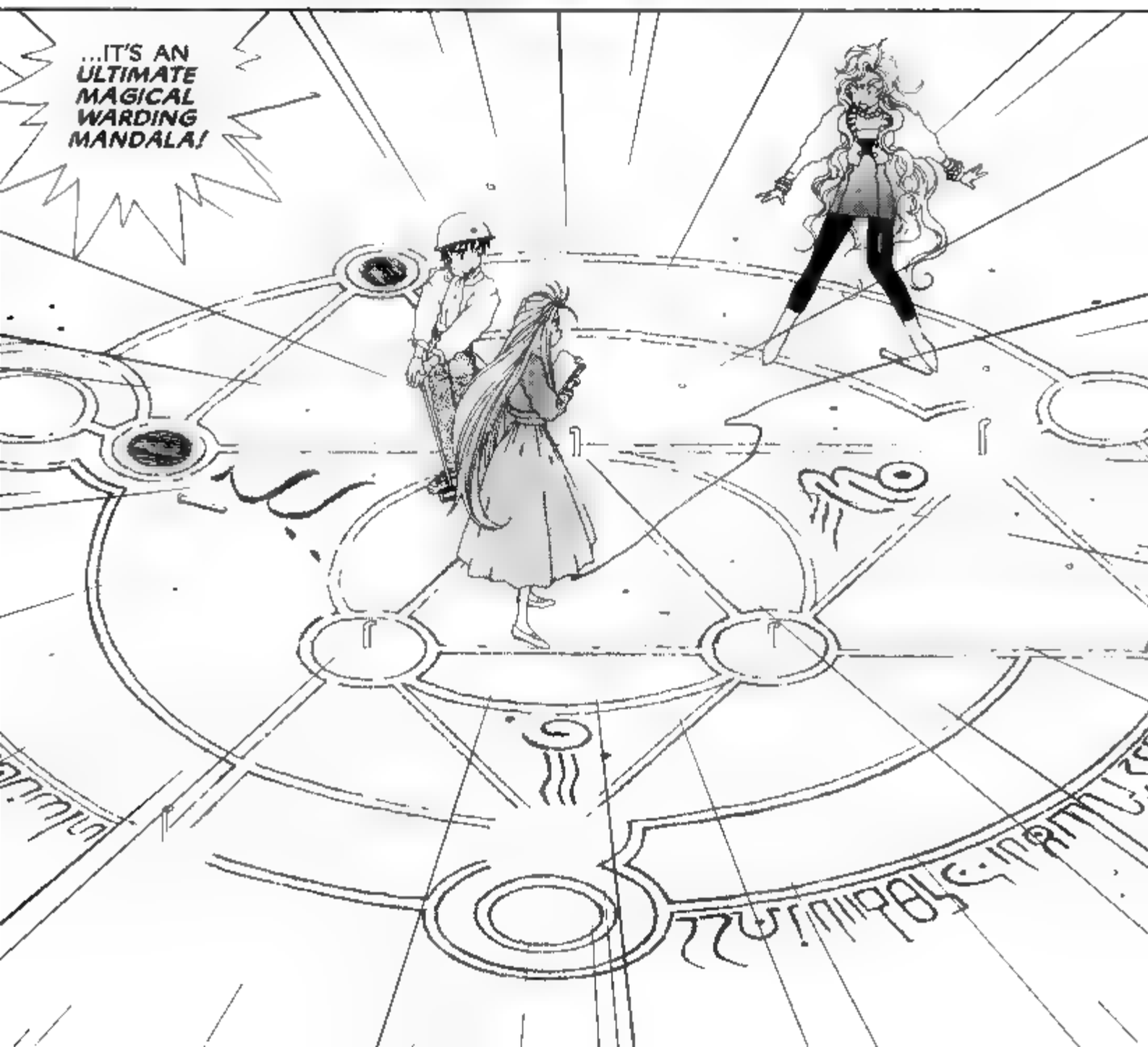
OKAY, I SEE.. AND COME TO THINK OF IT, IT'S NOT LIKE THIS IS THE END, HUH?
I MEAN, SHE CAN COME TO EARTH AGAIN LATER
YES, SHE CAN
BUT.
...DEPENDING ON THE WILL OF THE ALMIGHTY, THAT COULD BE A HUNDRED OR EVEN A *THOUSAND* YEARS FROM NOW.
tik
tok
NO WAY!
YOU MEAN I'LL NEVER SEE URD'S .. UH... FACE AGAIN?
THAT URD ALWAYS OUT OF CONTROL ...
SELFISH AND SELF-CENTERED ...

ALWAYS CRITICIZING EVERYONE ELSE, BUT SO IRRESPON-SIBLE HERSELF.
PLAYING WITH PEOPLE LIKE THEY WERE TOYS, LIVING ONLY FOR HERSELF. .
YOU'RE JUST GONNA DISAPPEAR?! WITHOUT GIVING ME A CHANCE TO TAKE *REVENGE?!*
URD...
DO YOU REALLY HAVE TO GO...?
!!
THANK YOU, KEIICHI.
THANK YOU FOR FEELING SUCH HEARTACHE FOR MY SISTER.

BUT THE ALMIGHTY'S DECISIONS ARE ABSO-LUTE.
ONCE THE RETURN GATE OPENS, WE'RE POWER-LESS TO RESIST.
AND IN THREE AND A HALF HOURS
THAT TERRIBLE GATE WILL OPEN
SO TELL ME, BELLDANDY... WHAT IF, FOR SOME REASON, YOU *CAN'T* GO BACK WHEN THE GATE OPENS?
WHAT HAPPENS THEN?
EH. .?!
HMM. .

ALL THAT CRAZINESS AT THE SCHOOL FESTIVAL. .
RESUR-RECTING THE SHINDEN.
THIS IS SO STUPID, URD!
IT'S NOT LIKE YOU. .
.GETTING DEPRESSED OVER NOTHING
RIGHT?
?
KANGG
KANGG
KANGG
WHAT THE HECK ARE THEY DOING . ?
KANGG
ACK!

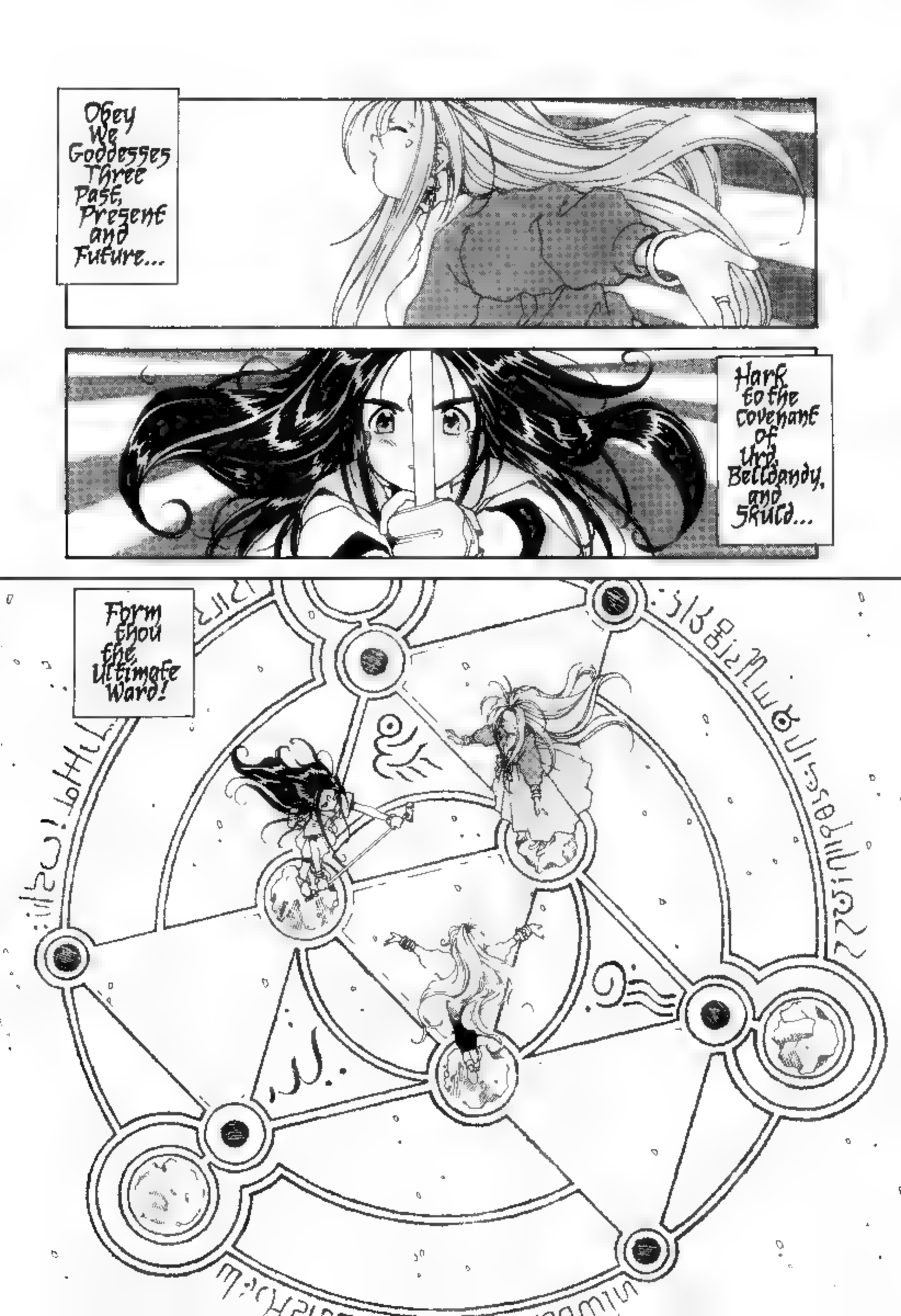
OH, URD.. HI!
"OH, URD," NOTHING!
THAT THING YOU'RE MAKING.


...IT'S AN ULTIMATE MAGICAL WARDING MANDALA!

WHAT... WHAT DO YOU NEED A GIANT SPELL LIKE *THAT* FOR?
ARTICLE TWENTY-FIVE, SECTION SIXTEEN --
"SHOULD FORCED REPATRIATION PROVE IMPOSSIBLE AT THE SCHEDULED TIME OF SAID REPATRIATION, THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECISION...
"...SHALL BE SUSPENDED."
RIGHT?
YOU'RE PLANNING TO BLOCK THE GATE WITH THIS MANDALA, AREN'T YOU, BELLDANDY?!
STOP! DON'T DO IT!
IF... IF YOU DO THAT, THE ALMIGHTY WILL REPATRIATE *YOU, TOO!*
SKULD, MY DEAR.
..YOU'RE QUITE WRONG. I'M *NOT* DEFYING THE ALMIGHTY.

THIS MANDALA IS SIMPLY MEANT TO KEEP OUT MARA
WE NEED A STRONG MANDALA TO WARD AGAINST HER, RIGHT?
ALTHOUGH IT'S POSSIBLE THAT-- AS AN UNANTICIPATED SIDE EFFECT, heh, heh-- THE MANDALA MIGHT BLOCK THE EFFECT OF THE RETURN GATE AS WELL.
MAN, YOU TWO... YOU COME UP WITH THE CRAZIEST IDEAS.
HEH... ....
YOU KNOW, IT IS SORTA FUN, AFTER ALL... HERE ON EARTH.
ALL RIGHT! IF THAT'S HOW IT'S GONNA BE, NO WAY I WON'T BE PART OF IT!

HO HO HO! LEAVE IT ALL TO BIG SISTER URD, KIDDIES!
..!
WAIT FOR ME! I WANNA HELP TOO!
TWO HOURS AND COUNT-ING.
HO HO HO HO HO!
VREEEEEE
klik
zreep
OKAY... WE NEED A SIZE SEVENTY-TWO ROCK RIGHT THERE.
Dance and Weave Gravel and Stone...

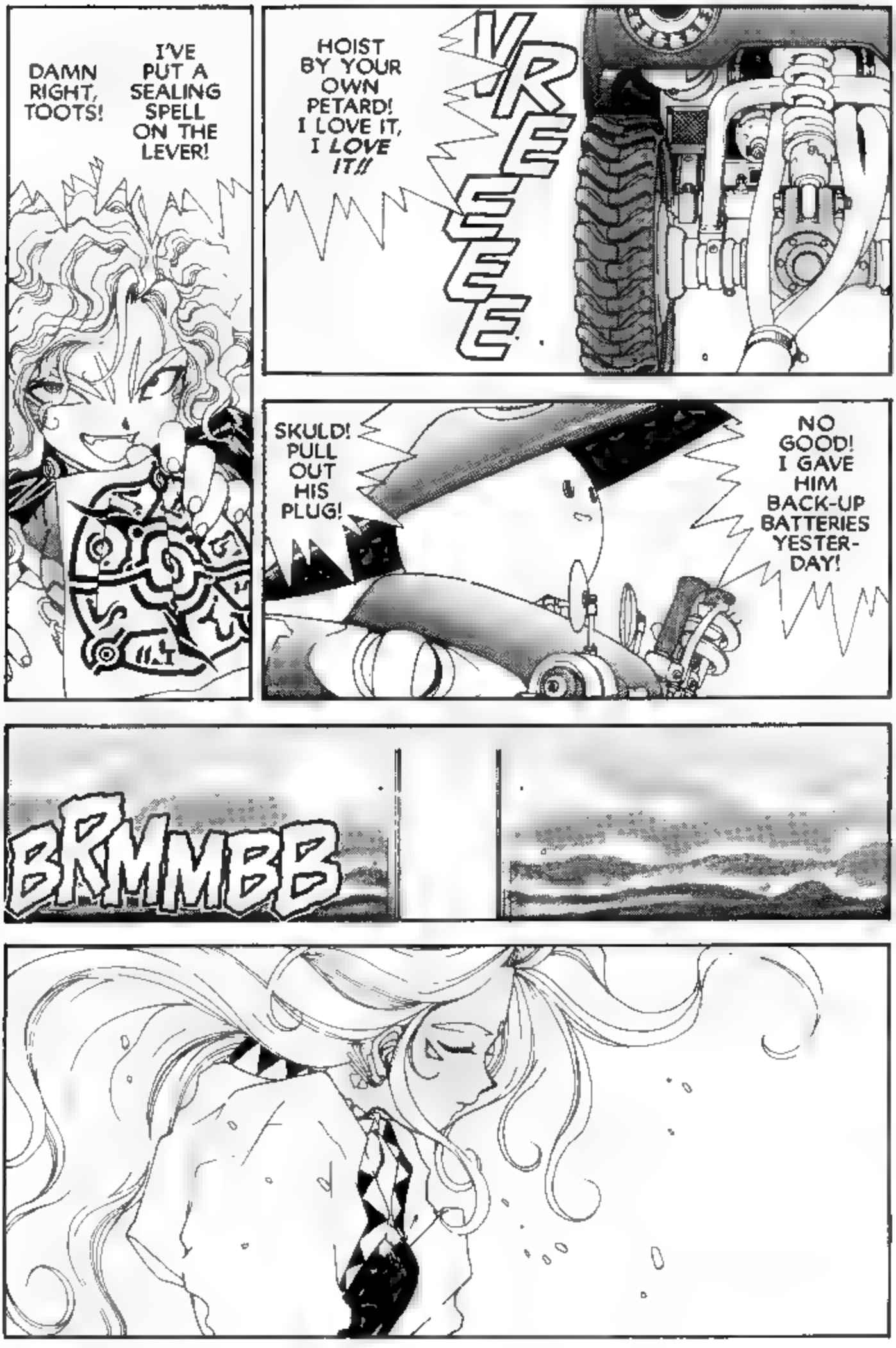

Obey
We
Goddesses
Three
Past,
Present
and
Future...
Hark
to the
Covenant
of
Urd,
Belldandy,
and
Skuld...
Form
thou
the
Ultimate
Ward!

PHEW!
IN THE NICK OF TIME!
WE DID IT!!
LET ME GUESS... IT'S A FIRST?
THE FIRST TIME YOU THREE ALL COOPER-ATED?

TIK!
SSHAA
THE GATE'S OPENING!
RMMB
AWHAMMM

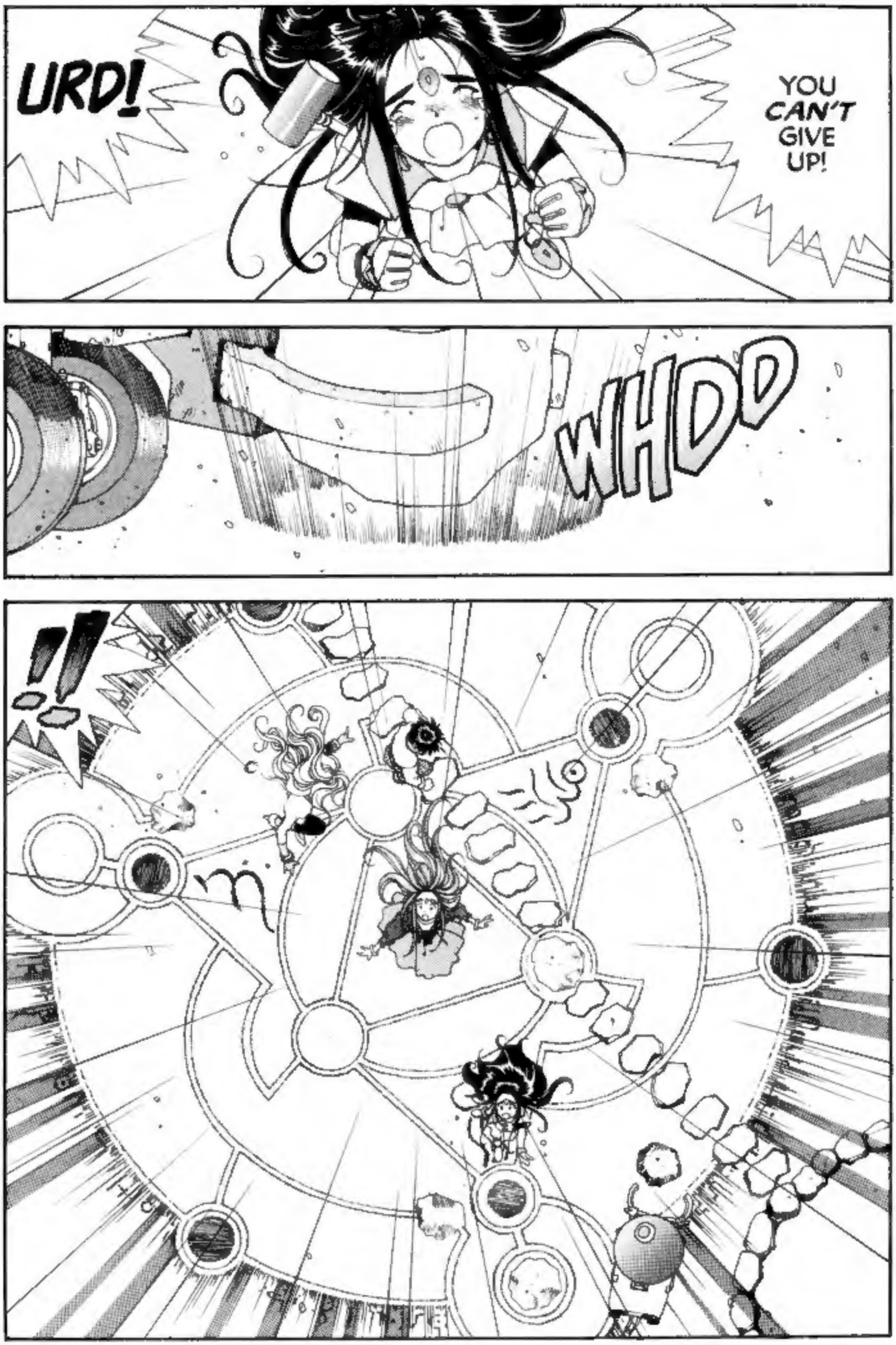
RMMBB
WHOA!
IT... IT'S WORKING!
FWHIP
KRAK
vrrrp?
=chik=
=fzzk=
KCHAK
?!
BANPEI?!
WHA--

VREEEEEE
BANPEI! WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!
NYA HA HA! FOOLISH GOD-DESSES!
THE STRONGEST WARDING MANDALA IS AS NOTHING IF I'M ALREADY INSIDE!
MARA!
SKULD! THE REVERSE SWITCH!
NNG!
NO GOOD! IT'S STUCK!


I'VE PUT A SEALING SPELL ON THE LEVER!
DAMN RIGHT, TOOTS!
HOIST BY YOUR OWN PETARD! I LOVE IT, I LOVE IT!!
VREEEE
SKULD! PULL OUT HIS PLUG!
NO GOOD! I GAVE HIM BACK-UP BATTERIES YESTER-DAY!
BRMMBB

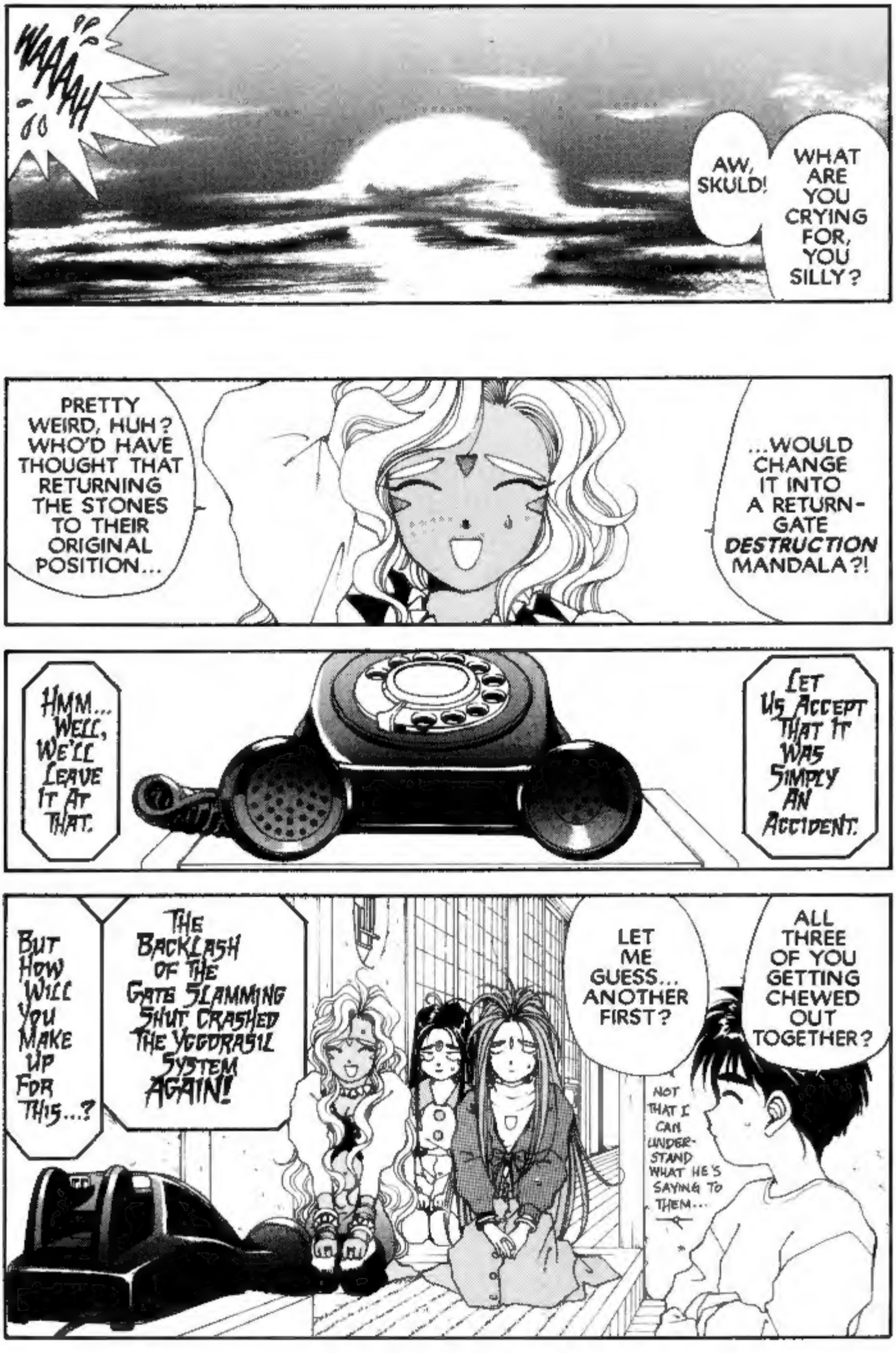
OH, NO! IT'S GOT HER!
URD! MY HAND!
TAKE MY HAND!
HOLD ON, URD! I'LL GET THIS SUCKER BACK IN PLACE!
ENOUGH...

...THAT'S ENOUGH.
YOU ALL DID YOUR BEST.
THANK YOU


URD!
YOU CAN'T GIVE UP!
WHDD
!!

UH-OH!! THAT NEW PATTERN!
FOOM
WHOOM

RMBBB
IT... IT'S GONE ...?
URD...
YOU BIG *DUMMY!* WHY DID YOU GIVE UP?!


WAAAAH
AW, SKULD!
WHAT ARE YOU CRYING FOR, YOU SILLY?
PRETTY WEIRD, HUH? WHO'D HAVE THOUGHT THAT RETURNING THE STONES TO THEIR ORIGINAL POSITION...
...WOULD CHANGE IT INTO A RETURN-GATE DESTRUCTION MANDALA?!
HMM... WELL, WE'LL LEAVE IT AT THAT.
LET US ACCEPT THAT IT WAS SIMPLY AN ACCIDENT.
BUT HOW WILL YOU MAKE UP FOR THIS...?
THE BACKLASH OF THE GATE SLAMMING SHUT CRASHED THE YGGDRASIL SYSTEM AGAIN!
LET ME GUESS... ANOTHER FIRST?
ALL THREE OF YOU GETTING CHEWED OUT TOGETHER?
NOT THAT I CAN UNDERSTAND WHAT HE'S SAYING TO THEM...